

MINUTES of the MISSISSIPPI VALLEY LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE MEETING

DATE: November 7, 2024

TIME: 4:30 PM

PLACE: Community Room, Collinsville Memorial Library, Collinsville, IL

Call to Order

Kyla Waltermire called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM.

Roll Call

Committee members present:

Jeanne Lomax, Ex-Officio member

Kathy Murphy

Ginny York

Also present:

Kyla Waltermire, Executive Director

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Input

None

Trustee Comments

None

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

a. Designation of Committee Chair and Minutes Taker

Lomax nominated Murphy for Committee Chair. York volunteered for Minutes Taker.

A motion to approve the nominations was made by Lomax and seconded by York.

A roll call vote was taken on the motion:

Lomax – Yes
Murphy – Yes
York – Yes

Yes -3, No - 0, Abstained – 0, Absent – 0

Motion carried.

b. Discussion and Next Steps for Fundraising for Capital Projects

Murphy inquired about the possibility of receiving TIF money to help with repairs. Waltermire explained that the building is not in a TIF district and therefore cannot apply.

It was stated that repairing the elevator is the most pressing need, and three companies have visited to evaluate what repairs are needed. Further tests may be needed to determine the actual repair needed.

The next most pressing need is leaking in the roof, especially around the cupola. Allen Roofing estimates that it will cost around \$1,200 to repair the seaming of the cupola. The library is waiting to hear back from Lakeside Roofing with a second opinion

The front doors also need to be fixed. The Village Locksmith said that they needed new locking mechanisms, which is estimated at \$1,200-\$1,500 per door.

After lengthy discussion, the following was decided by the committee.

Fundraisers to be pursued at this time:

- Killian Weir, owner of St. Louis Sheds, generously offered 5% of any sales made through library referrals. Waltermire said the library would work on a flier to publicize it.
- Waltermire will also contact Charity Clothing Pickup to have a clothing drop box placed near the parking lot for used clothing donations, which would generate income quarterly.
- Lomax will talk to restaurants to schedule an “Eat Out” night at local restaurants at which the library could earn a percentage of the night’s receipts. Culver’s and Dairy Queen were suggested.

Fundraisers discussed for the future:

- Murphy will look into a “Taste of Collinsville” event for the spring with tickets being sold at the library and perhaps through the trustees.
- A “roadblock” event was also talked about for a time when the weather is warmer.
- A trivia night was talked about. Waltermire is to investigate how many tables/teams can be held in the library’s community room. Lomax volunteered to look into a location that would hold a significant amount of tables.

Other ideas were mentioned briefly mentioned but tabled for the present.

Closed Session

None

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn by Lomax and seconded by York.

A voice vote was taken on the motion:

Lomax – Yes

Murphy – Yes

York – Yes

Yes -3, No - 0, Abstained – 0, Absent – 0

The meeting adjourned at 5:42 PM.