

MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

Tuesday, April 10, 2012

Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting called to order 6:10 pm

Attending:

Monique Musick

Roy Earnest

Melinda Harris

Nancy Burnham

Molly Rettig

Agenda adopted

President's report:

President is caught up with grant reporting; focused on spending community revenue share grant by June (needs to be reported by end of June)

Treasurer's report:

Nancy said taxes are taken care of. We didn't have to file a 1099 because we had less than \$50,000 in income

Committee Reports:

Capital committee—committee discussed future of the library. Do we need paid staff for ongoing grant management? If so, where will funding come from? Description of how other libraries are set up, all in some way supported by public funding. Overall board priorities are 1) get collections and membership computerized; 2) establish business policies; 3) build membership.

Construction committee—do we want to orient the library south to maximize passive solar? LEED certification requires lots of modeling and paperwork; Monique met with a LEED AP to discuss the process; Todd Hoener has agreed to be our LEED accredited professional.

Focus this year is on fundraising for the cabin. Goal is to clear land, deliver gravel, build outhouses, upgrade signage this year. Must spend \$8,900 revenue share grant by June.

Events committee—Nancy said upcoming lecture is Peter McRoy, UAF professor emeritus and oceanographer, on Weds, April 18. Handed out flyers for board to post. Roy will bring snacks. Nancy will call Peter to see what setup he prefers.

Discussion over whether we should allow vendors at library programs (raised because some people were selling seeds at Seedy Saturday event). Monique differentiated between a fundraiser and a library program: we're not trying to make money at library program events.

Public comments:

Two board members have resigned: Greta Burkhart (officer) and Ken Bluhm (alternate). Alternate Trey Simmons will replace Greta. Now we're looking for two alternates. Board members asked to consider replacements before next month's meeting. Monique would like to amend the language regarding board member replacement/removal in the bylaws so the board can remove someone without holding a special meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Website: The new website is nearly ready for launch. Molly will send it to the board for final comments and approval before making it live. Molly will look into adding Pay Pal feature to the website in hopes of increasing online member sign-up.

Dates for work party—board debated what weekend to hold the work party/rhubarb planting/gutter install/etc. at the new library site. Currently scheduled for Saturday, June 2 but Nancy said this will conflict with gardeners who want to plant that weekend. Monique will look into rescheduling for the next weekend.

Marketing flyer for library—Molly will design a flyer for the new library for easy promotion.

Begin designing the new rental cabin at the library site—Start looking for estimates for a small cabin (16x20). Labor will be donated. Monique would like to have the money secured by March 2013 and built in summer 2013.

Mission statement—Board is looking to revamp mission statement to make it shorter and snappier. Plan is to email ideas around.

Timeline—Monique presented draft long-term timeline for pre-construction up to construction. Long-range goal is to pour foundation May 2014.

NEW BUSINESS

Meeting for summer fundraising planned for Sunday, April 22 at 5pm. Next fundraiser (hopefully) is Ester Night at the Malemute in June. We need to confirm the bar will be open and will host us.

Callout to board members to research ideas for how to pay library operating costs. Major priority (before writing grants for construction) is to figure out how to pay for library operations.

Next Meeting: May 8, 2012

MOTION to adjourn – Nancy/Second: Melinda
Adjourned at 7:40 pm