

The Foundation For Mohawk Valley Libraries
February 21, 2020 1:30 PM
MVLS Office

Trustees Present: Edward Asselin, Jane Borrelli, Cheryl Cufari, William Leitch, Eric Trahan

Trustees Excused: Marion Grimes, Christina Knee, Carlton Shepard

Board President Ed Asselin called the meeting to order at 1:40.

A motion was made by Jane Borrelli and seconded by Bill Leitch to receive the November 8, 2019 minutes as written. Ayes: all Nays: none Abstentions: none

After Eric Trahan went over the financials ending 2019 and stating that no transactions occurred in January, he made a motion to accept the November and December, 2019 financial reports; Bill Leitch seconded. Ayes: all Nays: none Abstentions: none

Committee Reports

Executive Committee: No Report

Nominating Committee: Sally Rappa will be approached to join the Board. Cheryl will post on the Facebook page that board members are needed. Ed will also approach Dennis Mott as a possible board member.

Old/Unfinished Business

Golf Tournaments: A meeting was held at noon to continue planning for the golf tournaments. Notes on that are attached. Mentioned was the fact that the Mohawk Club will not be including a golfer's gift within the registration fee so we will have to come up with that.

Annual Appeal: 2019 donations are down from the previous year's end-of-year appeal. We discussed sending a letter to GE retirees asking for an early donation to compensate for GE matching ending for retirees as of April 15. We decided that since there was very little matching for the Foundation, we will not do this.

New Business

Winter Advocacy Grants: Three grants were received from Fort Plain, Cobleskill, and Schoharie for community outreach projects. Requests totaled \$7130. Eric

made a motion to grant \$7130 to cover the costs of these grant requests. Jane Borelli seconded. Ayes: all Nays: none Abstentions: none

Annual Meeting: No date was set but an idea was generated around a speaker addressing the new minimum standards set for libraries effective in 2021. We will again have light snacks and drinks. A place, time and date TBD.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:03 with the next meeting on April 17, 2020 at 1:30 PM followed by envelope stuffing for Canajohaire tournament.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Cufari
Secretary