Crafton Public Library

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

May 18, 2021

Present: Paul Kohberger, Andrea Marquis, Cheryl Talarico, Sharon Wilson, Alyssa Zolkiewicz

Next Meeting: July 20, 2021 at the Crafton Public Library

1. The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.
2. President’s Report—Paul has been meeting with the committee to revise the ACLA Member Library Agreement. A draft is going to the ACLA board and the completed document is due by December 31,2021.
3. Treasurer’s Report—The budget expenditures look on track for the year. The investments are healthy.
4. Director’s Report—Cheryl has a contact with Bill Cowher’s associates and they will be providing the library with some memorabilia for display. We will also be getting signed copies of Bill’s autobiography which we can raffle off this summer. The book is due to be released on June 1st.

Alyssa proposed that we look into hiring a Pitt Partner for the Fall and into 2022. The Partner would be in Pitt’s master’s degree program and would work on the archival collection for us, among other duties. Alyssa will send out more information.

Due to the relaxation of CDC guidelines, CPL will make available one additional public computer and the tables and chairs have been redistributed in the library. Masks and social distancing are still required. There have been no new guidelines from ACLA.

The Summer Reading Program will begin on Tuesday, June 1 from 6 to 8 PM in Crafton park. There will be mini-golf, a snow cone machine, story time and a button maker. Also, in the park will be the hybrid storytime, the cookbook group and the conversation salon. It was suggested that there could be a tie-in activity with the Crafton Community Garden and the cookbook group.

1. Old Business—Alyssa is working on a batch of 60 new photographs for Historic Pittsburgh. They should be delivered to Pitt by the end of May. On July 5th Alyssa will be talking to the Ingram Historical Society about our work on this project.

The strategic plan was discussed, and the board voted to approve and publish it.

The board was reminded to attend and participate in the ACLA board governance webinar on May 20.

The borough engineer and manager are working on the roof replacement design and specifications and hope to have the work advertised within the next month. Construction may start mid-summer.

1. New Business—The Board reorganization was deferred until the end of the calendar year. At that time new officers will be voted in for 2022. The vice president position is currently vacant and Paul will ask Jerry if he is willing to take over these duties until the end of the year.

A question was raised about the email address,  craftonpubliclibraryboard@gmail.com​., on the CPL website. No one knows where emails to this address go. Paul will ask Courtney about it.

1. Announcements—Reminder about the webinar this week.
2. No audience questions or comments.
3. Meeting adjourned at 8:30.