

Library Board October 2022 Meeting

October 13, 5:30 pm VPL 2nd Floor Community Meeting Room

Call to order: SAA, MA, DB, CC, JC, MJ, SJ, MR

- 1. Approve Agenda
- 2. Approve Minutes September 2022
- 3. Public Comment
- 4. Continuing Business
 - a. Renovation Project Funding
 - i. Consider Proposal from Baker Street Consulting Group
 - b. Candid Funding Information Network
- 5. New Business
 - a. Baron Site development
 - b. Paid Holidays 2023
- 6. Director's Report
 - a. Statistical Report
 - b. Financial Report
- 7. Adjourn

Director's Report

Renovation

There is \$399,924 in the COA capital budget for the foundation repair and waterproofing which is from the estimate provided by Engberg Anderson. Council and Administration are still looking for about \$700,000 to meet all capital funding. It is always possible our capital project will be cut. I continue to research ballot initiative preparation and develop lists of community members who might want to be part of the feasibility study.

Budget

I'll be presenting the VPL budget on Oct 20 which will just focus on 2023, but will continue to educate our council about what we do here at this lovely library. My goal is to have the presentation on the website early next week (or maybe today!)

Services

I sent postcards to 150 Ashland County nonprofits to gauge the amount of interest/use in the foundation directory. So far I don't have many responses. One - on - One computer and phone help starts this month (thank you Michelle). The Ashland Literacy program is almost ready to recruit volunteers. Look for that in November. Librarians are now trained in NARCAN administration if we ever have an incident of an overdose in the library. We are putting a small cabinet with NARCAN in the hallway close to the elevators for the public, in case someone needs access to it but does not know where to get it or is embarrassed to ask.

Programs

Kathy & Lisa will be at the Farmers Market on Oct 8 with lots of pumpkins for kids to decorate. We are doing monthly family fun nights. Board Games will kick it off on Oct 20. The storywalk and Book Trike will be at the Boo-Bash on Oct 22. In partnership with the Bay Area Film Society and the Friends, we are hosting a Godfather pre-film ticked event with wine, charcuterie boards and some raffle items on November 12.

Book Recommendation

Tomorrow and Tomorrow and Tomorrow by Gabrielle Zevin is just an enjoyable read. The story follows two kids who meet through video gaming while one is in the hospital. The evolution of their friendship is the main thread of the book and what friendship means and how we love people or why we love. It is also about creating art and the complexity of ideas put into games and collaboration.

