

WVCC Board Minutes

October 3, 2017 4:00 pm

Present: Dick, Dennis, Recca, Marian

Guests: Mary Jane Hollinger, Matt Heugli

The meeting was chaired by Dick. A printed agenda was available. The 9/19//2017 minutes were approved as presented. Marian prepared a detailed income/expense record for the month of September, as well as Y-T-D financial accounting current to the meeting. After a couple of months of operating in the positive, the campus has returned to a deficit status this month. As Marian noted, a lot of money was spent on maintenance and repair projects. A final accounting of the Harvest Festival was not available, but it generally brought in around \$800.

Because of Matt's presence, the order of the agenda was altered to address a New Business item before following the printed agenda.

Matt presented his ideas and possible timing in offering the campus Haunted House event in the upper campus (former science room) on Saturday, October 28. Part of the hallway will be incorporated into the scenario, as well as a dance being offered across the hall in the gym. Considerable effort will be required in emptying and preparing the room for his event. Ideas and timing for accomplishing this were discussed.

Old Business:

By reported accounts, the recent Harvest Festival went well. The weather cooperated and no one was badly injured. The food service offering cancelled the night before, which was a disappointment. People would have been happier had it been otherwise. Some vendors left earlier than the designated closing time, which caused thought of having it end at 4:00 pm next year. Presence of the Boy Scout troop and animals appeared to be well received, but the garden area at the north end of the campus was virtually unvisited. Discussion recognized how things might be improved next year.

Nothing new has been heard regarding details about linking the 4th of July Committee dinner with a Music Series event.

In updating campus work projects, Dick reported that Ira was back in town and anxious to get restarted on completing gas line/furnace installations before the cold weather really sets in. The gas line is close to being ready for a pressure test, but duct work and the electrical wiring and a breaker box has not been addressed yet. More roof repair/replacement needs to be completed; insulation has to be considered. There has been no time to move forward on the stadium roof, or the extension of drainage pipe for the south parking lot. No formal decision will be made yet on the Pottie question.

There was nothing to report on City progress on zoning/development code action.

New Business:

Recca shared a schedule for the Wet Season Music Series, but the budget was in the hands of Jeri St Onge. January and February offerings are not locked in yet. Jeri will be assuming the leading role for

the organization of such activities; Recca needs more time for personal matters and will continue to participate in campus projects but not primarily in the planning and development part. The board expressed their appreciation for her contributing where she can.

Campus Halloween preparations were discussed at the beginning of the meeting.

Discussion of the October newsletter draft led to comments about recognizing the upcoming Wet Season Music Series. Dick continues to want more attention directed toward advertising WVCC activities.

Dick introduced an idea of having some kind of WVCC advertising token (“wooden nickel”) that might somehow help connect the campus with local businesses. The thought was that somehow they might be redeemable with local merchants. General discussion recognized difficulties with coordination and details. No decisions were made on how to pursue the idea.

Another contact has been made regarding the 4th of July Logging Show being relocated to the campus in future years. Dick was approached, and shared his impressions of the conversation. Nothing will happen in the immediate future, but the idea is still circulating and the board should prepare for serious consideration at some point.

In General Comment, Dennis raised the question regarding progress in acquiring canopies for the campus using funds the board earlier designated for that purpose. Marian has not had time to pursue the matter. Discussion led again to what campus improvement purposes the board might want to apply some of the small grant and award monies that we have received. The idea here is for WVCC to recognize the sources of these funds and promote their involvement in the mission of the campus. Mary Jane shared a local restaurant paper placemat version that features the campus. The script needed some minor updating (awarding of the 501 (c) 3 status), but the mat was a welcome addition to advertising the presence and activity of the campus. Dick shared that he continues to develop his estate planning documents and noted some of his ideas in transferring property deeds upon death. His plan is to have documents signed and notarized, but not recorded until a later date. He also commented on the wait for the new cable service to get to the campus part of town. A brief discussion recognized the absence of the shrubbery outside the windows of the quilting room and the possible replacement with a flower bed and its possible extent. The question(s) needing to be decided are how large an area to include and what plants to put there.

The meeting adjourned at 6:42 pm. The next board meeting is 4:00 pm Tuesday, October 17, 2017.

Dennis Werth
Secretary