

The Board of Trustees of the Working Men's Institute met on April 17, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.

Vice-President Nathan Maudlin called the meeting to order. In attendance were Vice-President Nathan Maudlin, Secretary Tom Cullum, Treasurer Kenyon Bailey, Trustee Tamara Allison, Director Ryan Rokicki, Circulation Specialist Rose Overton, President of the Friends of the WMI Katie Reineke, and member of the Friends of the WMI Jeanne Maudlin.

Minutes of the March 8, 2018 meeting had been sent out electronically. Mr. Cullum moved to accept the minutes as presented. Mrs. Allison seconded.

Mr. Bailey presented the Treasurer's Report. There has been a depreciation in the value of stocks. The Board enquired if this loss would affect the day-to-day operations of the Workingmen's Institute. Mr. Bailey expressed that the funds should start to recover over the summer. Mrs. Allison moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Mr. Cullum seconded. Accepted.

Ms. Reineke presented the Friends of the WMI Report. Ms. Katie Defries has agreed to be the Keynote Speaker for the 4th of July and Dr. Linda Bennett will be reading the Declaration of Independence. The questionnaires that have been distributed have provided a positive response for doing a movie night this fall and winter here at the WMI.

In Old Business

Koester Construction provided a new report for the repairs of the East wall of the building. The cost will be \$16,000. After some discussion, Mr. Cullum made a motion to approve Ryan Rokicki to have Koester Construction to seal the East wing (which includes 3 sides of the building) from various cash reserve funds as deemed appropriate by the Board of Trustees, assuming the quote includes tuck pointing. Mr. Bailey seconded. Accepted.

Mr. Rokicki gave an update on the Prosperi Exhibit. Mr. Rokicki and Dan Busler have installed a large TV screen in the Murphy Gallery, which will show images of Franco Prosperi artwork. The exhibit should be ready by May 22nd of 2018. There will be a grand opening for this exhibit that evening at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Rokicki provided another estimate for a concrete pad for the cannon from Roger Wade. This estimate is considerably lower than the estimate from Koester Construction but this estimate does not provide a description of the job. Mr. Rokicki will need to contact Mr. Wade to get more details.

Mr. Rokicki presented a new prototype of the WMI's website which has been designed by Kathy Sale. The Board of Trustees is happy with the new design. Mr. Rokicki said that the new website should be up and running by the first of May.

In New Business

To satisfy the State mandate that all public libraries review their by-laws every three years, Mr. Rokicki asked the Trustees for a brief review of the by-laws, after which, Mr. Cullum made a motion to leave the by-laws as is. Mr. Bailey seconded. Accepted.

Trustee, Tamara Allison (and Garden Club Member) presented a book to Ryan Rokicki from the Garden Club called "The Saved Seed" by Brenda Moore.

Mr. Maudlin is conducting a meeting here at the WMI on April 24th at 5:00 p.m. in order to plan a program that will highlight the events of the year of 1968. Those that are involved at this time are Tom Stahl and Amanda Chevalier. Anyone else that is interested should come to this meeting.

Director's Report~See Attached

Mr. Rokicki presented the claims. Mrs. Allison moved to accept them. Mr. Cullum seconded. Accepted.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.