The Board of Trustees of the Working Men’s Institute met on January 10, 2019.

Fred Frayser called the meeting to order. In attendance were President Fred Frayser, Vice President Nathan Maudlin, Secretary Tom Cullum, Trustee Tamara Allison, Director Ryan Rokicki and Circulation Specialist Shannon DeLap.

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

President Fred Frayser presented the Treasurer’s Report. Mr. Maudlin moved to accept the report and hold for audit. Mrs. Allison seconded. Accepted.

In Old Business

Director Ryan Rokicki will meet with Chris Koester on February 17th to discuss the upcoming repairs to the Reading Room. There is no anticipation of closure during these repairs. Josh Lamb has not been available for contact in replacement of the lights in the Reading Room. The New Panels for the Murphy Gallery are finished and will be installed within the week.

In New Business

The unfortunate passing of Board member Kenyon Bailey has left an open position among the Trustees. Connie Weinzapfel was confirmed for Trustee and Secretary. Mr. Maudlin made the motion to accept. Mrs. Allison seconded. Accepted.

Mr. Maudlin made a motion that all current Trustee Members should occupy the Board of Finance. Mrs. Allison seconded. Approved.

Vice President Nathan Maudlin made a motion to stay with our current bank, Fifth-Third. Tamara Allison seconded. Approved.

Director’s Report (see attached)

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

The meeting was then adjourned.
Director’s Report January 10, 2019

Art racks were installed today by Patterson-Pope.

In the process of taking down the Christmas decorations. Hope to have it all down by the weekend.

December 17th the movie “The Santa Clause” graced our big screen with five people in attendance.

Maggie Rapp’s mural has been installed in the museum.
The Board of Trustees of the Working Men’s Institute met on **February 14, 2019.**

Fred Frayser called the meeting to order. In attendance were President Fred Frayser, Vice President Nathan Maudlin, Treasurer Connie Weinzapfel, Director Ryan Rokicki and Circulation Specialist Shannon DeLap.

Minutes of the January 10, 2019 meeting had been sent out electronically. Nathan Maudlin moved to accept the minutes. Fred Frayser seconded. Accepted.

Treasurer's Report was given by Connie Weinzapfel. Mr. Maudlin moved to accept and hold for audit. Ms. Weinzapfel seconded. Accepted.

In old business, the board discussed the member lecture series. Each speaker would give a 10 to 15 minute presentation about a unique interest or knowledge of any subject. Three individuals would make up one evening's lecture, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The lecture series would begin next month (March).

We have had some minor setbacks in the Reading Room repairs. Josh Lamb has been pressed for a deadline, illness and prior jobs.

In new business, HF Refrigeration has given an estimate for a new actuator and valve on the upstairs air handler. Mr. Frayser made the motion to approve the repairs on the air handler. Mr. Maudlin seconded. Approved.

It was discussed that a defined work week of Sunday through Saturday was needed. Mr. Maudlin made the motion to accept the proposed work week. Ms. Weinzapfel seconded. Accepted.

Director’s Report (See Attached)

Mr. Rokicki then presented the claims. Ms. Weinzapfel’s motion to accept was then seconded by Mr. Maudlin. Accepted.

The meeting was then adjourned.
Director’s Report February 14, 2019

The informative panels were installed in the Murphy Gallery.

Currently working on Annual State Library Report as well as the Annual Financial Report.

The WMI reached out to the Charles Ford Home last Friday, February 8, 2019. Archivist Melora Adams and I assisted with a small presentation using some of our artifacts from France. Their next adventure will be Friday March 8th at 2 p.m. with the focus on Ireland.

Rebecca Brummett will present “Blacksmith by Trade: The Life of Justinian Cartwright” February 21, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 7, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. New Harmony Conversations will be presenting a film screening and discussion of the 2019 Oscar Nominated documentary “End Game”.

The WMI will have games on the lawn for the annual Spring Fling celebration. Spring Fling is March 9th and 10th.

Joni Mayhan will be conducting a Paranormal Investigation of the WMI on Saturday March 9th from 7-9:30 p.m. This event is a fundraiser. Tickets are $25. The profit from the tickets sales will be dispersed accordingly.
The Board of Trustees of the Working Men’s Institute met on March 14, 2019.

Fred Frayser called the meeting to order. In attendance were President Fred Frayser, Vice President Nathan Maudlin, Treasurer Connie Weinzapfel, Tom Cullum, Tamara Allison, Director Ryan Rokicki and Circulation Specialist Shannon DeLap.

Minutes of the February 14, 2019 meeting had been sent out electronically. Nathan Maudlin moved to accept the minutes. Tom Cullum seconded. Accepted.

Treasurers Report was given by Connie Weinzapfel. Mr. Maudlin moved to accept and hold for audit. Ms. Weinzapfel seconded. Accepted.

In old business, the Reading Room repairs are still not finished. The dry wall has been installed. Painters and mudders will be in next week. Once the painting is completed, Josh Lamb can return and finish the electrical work. Projected completion date is the end of the month.

The Member Lecture Series has 6 or 7 members showing an interest in presenting a 10 to 15-minute lecture. Tom Stahl suggested the Griffin tornado but didn’t want to present it himself. Tom Straw was suggested as a presenter on this topic. Other topics that have been suggested is a historical lecture by Linda Warrum and a presentation about rare coins by Dan Busler. It was suggested that there be a practice run during the Membership meeting.

In new business, it was suggested that the Rose of Sharon near the elevator be removed and Peonies put in its place. It was also suggested that a Sycamore tree be planted.

There was a drain issue in the basement. This has been repaired.

Nathan Maudlin made the motion to approve $5,000 for the installation of more drawers in the Archives. Ms. Weinzapfel seconded. Approved.

Director’s Report (See Attached)

Mr. Rokicki then presented the claims. Tom Cullum’s motion to accept was then seconded by Connie Weinzapfel. Accepted.

The meeting was then adjourned.
Director’s Report March 14, 2019

The external basement door has been leaking. Rain water had been rushing in causing some minor water retention. The doors have been repaired as well as the drain pipe. We will be looking into a more permanent resolution to this problem.

I met with Fifth-Third Bank to add Connie Weinzapfel as Signature on bank accounts.

Heritage week is coming up the week of April 16th. There will be approximately 1300 children attending this event.

The Repairs to the Reading Room are still underway. The dry wall has been installed and is ready to be mudded and painted.

Roberta Heiman will present a lecture about the History of Family Planning in Southwest Indiana on March 21st at 6:30 p.m. It will include the story of Robert Dale Owens writing the first book about birth control.

The New Harmony Clay Project will hold a lecture here on April 4th at 6pm. Tristyn Bustamante, one of the current resident Artists, will discuss her exploration of intuitive ideation, development of form, and conscious refinement.
The Board of Trustees of the Working Men’s Institute met on April 11, 2019.

Fred Frayser called the meeting to order. In attendance were President Fred Frayser, Vice President Nathan Maudlin, Treasurer Connie Weinzapfel, Secretary of the Friends of the Working Men’s Institute Jeanne Maudlin, Director Ryan Rokicki and Circulation Specialist Shannon DeLap.

Minutes of the March 14, 2019 meeting had been sent out electronically. Connie Weinzapfel moved to accept the minutes. Nathan Maudlin seconded. Accepted.

Treasurer’s Report was given by Connie Weinzapfel. Mr. Maudlin moved to accept and hold for audit. Mr. Frayser seconded. Accepted.

Jeanne Maudlin gave the Friends of the WMI report. The FWMI has purchased a changing station for the restroom here at WMI. Ann Angle is looking into a revision of the by-laws. Mrs. Maudlin also reminded the board of Bradley Smith’s lecture on his work with the Nature Conservancy. It will be held on May 21st at 6:30 p.m. Their next meeting will be May 15th.

In old business, the Reading Room repairs are nearly finished. The painting is being finalized. Josh Lamb will return to finish the electrical work on Monday. The shelves will then be put back in their proper places. Hope to be back up and running by Wednesday.

In new business, the Internal Controls Policy was established. Mr. Maudlin made the motion to adopt the Internal Controls Policy. Ms. Weinzapfel seconded. Approved.

It was discussed about moving financial accounts from Fifth-Third Bank to a different Bank.

Mr. Frayser reminded the Board that there are three openings in Membership. Mr. Rokicki has received a letter of Nomination for Steve Angle. Roger Wade nominated Mr. Angle. There were several other names mentioned for possible nomination.

Director’s Report (see attached)

Mr. Rokicki then presented the claims. Nathan Maudlin made a motion to accept the claims. Connie Weinzapfel seconded. Accepted.

The meeting was then adjourned.
Director’s Report April 11, 2019

The final painting of the Reading Room is being done this week. Josh Lamb will be here Monday to complete the installation of the lights. We hope to have this done by Wednesday and things put back together.

Governor Eric Holcomb was here on April 5th and presented checks to various communities for road repairs. He was very pleased with the event and the location. We received many thanks. He received a T-shirt and a tote bag to take home to the First Lady.

April 16th through the 18th is Heritage Days. The rope making demonstration will take place here at WMI. We are expected to have about 1300 people for this event.

New Harmony Clay Project will have Kritika Soni presenting “Fabric of Decay” on Thursday April 18th at 6:00 p.m. She celebrates the concept of decay and deconstruction in her work with a play of floral motifs and layering.

The Hoosier Salon will have a workshop here the week of April 23rd from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day.

Shakespeare on the Lawn will take place on Tuesday May 14th at 6:30 p.m. This year they will be presenting “12th Night” with a David Bowie theme.

The Member Lectures have some dates. Linda Warrum and Dan Busler have confirmed for May 16th. Tom Cochran is considering May 16th. Amanda Chevalier has confirmed for July 18th. I am going to pass around the sign-up sheet for the final three at the Membership meeting on Tuesday, April 16th. I am thinking of naming this the “Useful Knowledge” series.

I cleaned the historical marker last week. I have before and after photographs that will be put on Facebook.
The Board of Trustees of the Working Men’s Institute met on May 9, 2019.

Fred Frayser called the meeting to order. In attendance were President Fred Frayser, Vice President Nathan Maudlin, Treasurer Connie Weinzapfel, Tom Cullum, Vice President of the Friends of the Working Men’s Institute Taylor Horsley, Director Ryan Rokicki and Circulation Specialist Shannon DeLap.

Minutes of the April 11, 2019 meeting had been sent out electronically. Connie Weinzapfel moved to accept the minutes. Nathan Maudlin seconded. Accepted.

Treasurers Report was given by Connie Weinzapfel. Mr. Maudlin moved to accept and hold for audit. Mrs. Weinzapfel seconded. Accepted.

Taylor Horsley gave the Friends of the WMI report. The First FWMI lecture, “Blacksmith by Trade” presented by Rebecca Brummett was a success with 30 patrons in attendance. Bradley Smith will be on hand May 21st at 6:30 p.m. to present his lecture on his work with the Nature Conservancy. The 2020 Lecture series is already being discussed. These lectures will honor Women and the 100th anniversary of Women’s Rights. A Saturday Matinee is discussion. These matinees would be held here at the WMI. The next meeting will be May 15th followed by the Annual Meeting on May 21st.

In old business, the Reading Room repairs are finished. The final cost of $14,000 was $5,000 more than expected. Josh Lamb will return at some point to finish some minor details. The board was reminded there is one opening in Membership.

In new business, Chris Koester will be starting the painting of the windows soon. Connie Weinzapfel suggested doing a possible paint analysis and volunteered to contact Stewart Sebree. It was also suggested that the fence needs repair. H and F Refrigeration was here and turned on our Air Conditioning. It was discussed about moving financial accounts from Fifth-Third Bank to a different Bank depending on the State Board of Accounts and Indiana Code. It was suggested to use Heritage Federal Credit Union or Community State Bank.

Director’s Report (see attached)

Mr. Rokicki then presented the claims. Tom Cullum made a motion to accept the claims. Nathan Maudlin seconded. Accepted.

The meeting was then adjourned.
Director’s Report May 9, 2019

The Reading Room is done! Josh Lamb was here Monday April 23rd and completed the installation of the lights. He has a few small things to complete over the next few weeks but is done with the larger jobs. We are happy to be back up and running at full capacity.

Heritage Days was April 16th-18th with 1163 children and adults. The rope making demonstration went well! We would like to thank Fred and Janey Frayser for volunteering during this event.

Kritika Soni presented “Fabric of Decay” on Thursday April 18th at 6:00 p.m. with 21 attendees. This was part of the New Harmony Clay Project.

The Hoosier Salon was here the week of April 23rd presenting an art workshop from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. Daniel Gerhartz presented a follow-up workshop for this event on Monday April 30th at 9 a.m.

Author and Radio Personality, Bill Clevlen, was here on Sunday April 28th. He had a short lecture and book signing promoting his new book “Driving Across America”. There were 28 people in attendance.

Shakespeare on the Lawn will take place on Tuesday May 14th at 6:30 p.m. This year they will be presenting “12th Night” with a David Bowie theme.

The First of the “Useful Knowledge” Member Lectures will begin next week. Linda Warrum, Tom Cochran and Dan Busler have their presentations on May 16th.

Ron Richards and his team will be here May 27th- June 7th to continue their research and cataloging.

Our Summer Reading program kicks off on June 6th at 10:30 a.m. Flyers have been put up at local area businesses. This year the theme is “Universe of Stories”. There are lots of fun and games planned for this six-week program. From alien slime to pool noodle light sabers.

I have scheduled two additional lectures for this Summer. Larry Rudisill will be presenting “History of Money and Currency Issues” on Thursday June 27th at 6:30 p.m. Kevin Valadares will be on hand July 24th at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the “New Harmony Conversations”.

Julia Beatty from Alexander, Thompson and Arnold is working on our tax return.
The Board of Trustees of the Working Men’s Institute met on **June 13, 2019**.

Fred Frayser called the meeting to order. In attendance were President Fred Frayser, Vice President Nathan Maudlin, Treasurer Connie Weinzapfel, Tom Cullum, Secretary of the Friends of the Working Men’s Institute Jeanne Maudlin, Director Ryan Rokicki and Circulation Specialist Shannon DeLap.

Minutes of the May 9, 2019 meeting had been sent out electronically. Tom Cullum moved to accept the minutes. Nathan Maudlin seconded. Accepted.

Treasurers Report was given by Connie Weinzapfel. Mr. Maudlin moved to accept and hold for audit. Mr. Cullum seconded. Accepted.

Jeanne Maudlin gave the Friends of the WMI report. The Book Sale held on June 8th and 9th was a huge success! The total for the weekend was $814.75 for books and $30 in T-shirt sales. A big thank you to WMI’s custodian Kirsten Janik and her family for setting up for this event. July 4th is on the horizons. Judge Redwine will be the Keynote speaker at the festivities. We are happy to welcome Margaret Scherzinger on our board. Roberta Heiman will be on hand August 20th at 6:30 p.m. for our next FWMI lecture. She will be discussing the suffrage movement.

In old business, Paint samples were taken from three different windows on the exterior of the building and sent for analysis. The analysis is complete and were able to get exact color codes to use for the painting of the windows. David Flanders, owner of Cook’s on Brewery Bed and Breakfast, has offered to accommodate Ron Richards and his team. The “Lecture Series of Knowledge” is still needing speakers. The board was again reminded there is one opening in Membership.

In new business, the Board was asked to move the July 11th meeting to July 18th. Josh Lamb will be in tomorrow (July 14th) to do some final work to the lighting in the Reading Room.

Director’s Report (see attached)

Mr. Rokicki then presented the claims. Nathan Maudlin made a motion to accept the claims. Tom Cullum seconded. Accepted.

The meeting was then adjourned.
Director’s Report June 13, 2019

Stone Soup Shakespeare was here on May 14th with a David Bowie Themed performance of 12th night. There were 37 people in attendance.

Bradley Smith’s FWMI Lecture about his work with the Nature Conservancy on May 21st brought in 27 people.

Ron Richards and Peggy Fishkeller, as well as, Randy and Deb Patrick were here May 27th through June 7th researching and cataloguing. They had another successful year. They will be back a few more times this year.

Our Summer Reading program kicked off on June 6th at 10:30 a.m. with 11 children present. Ashli Oglesby Owner of Just a Stone’s Throw, brought in different types of thinking putty and let the kids mix in colors of their choice.

The FWMI Book sale this past weekend was a huge success! A big thank you to all those who volunteered!

The first of our additional lectures will begin with Larry Rudisill. He will be presenting “History of Money and Currency Issues” on Thursday June 27th at 6:30 p.m. Kevin Valadares will be on hand July 24th at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the “New Harmony Conversations”.
The Board of Trustees of the Working Men’s Institute met on **July 18, 2019**.

Fred Frayser called the meeting to order. In attendance were President Fred Frayser, Vice President Nathan Maudlin, Tamara Allison, Tom Cullum, Secretary of the Friends of the Working Men’s Institute Jeanne Maudlin, Director Ryan Rokicki Circulation Specialist Shannon DeLap and Linda Warrum.

Minutes of the June 13, 2019 meeting had been sent out electronically. Nathan Maudlin moved to accept the minutes. Tamara Allison seconded. Accepted.

Treasurers Report was given by Fred Frayser. Mrs. Allison moved to accept and hold for audit. Tom Cullum seconded. Accepted. Mr. Maudlin moved that money be transferred from the Jeanne Miller fund to Gift fund. Mrs. Allison seconded. Accepted.

Jeanne Maudlin gave the Friends of the WMI report.

Old business-None

In new business, Linda Warrum gave a report to the Trustees concerning the work she has completed over the last two years in the Archives and Basement. There were several items in the basement that need to be hauled away, including an old air-handler. Mr. Maudlin made a motion to have the scrap Air-handler hauled away. Mr. Cullum seconded. Accepted. There are numerous chairs in the basement that are broken. Some of these chairs are wood. Mr. Maudlin made a motion to take an inventory of the broken chairs. Mrs. Allison seconded. Accepted. Mr. Maudlin then made a motion to have the wooden chairs repaired. Mr. Cullum seconded. Accepted. A motion was made by Mr. Maudlin to have Ryan put the extra book returns that reside in the basement on the Southwestern Indiana Directors Board. Mrs. Allison seconded. Accepted. There is a moisture concern in the basement. It was suggested that a larger dehumidifier be purchased. Due to the moisture, there are numerous books and chairs that have been damaged. Mr. Cullum made the motion to have the chairs removed. Tamara Allison seconded. Accepted. Trustees passed the resolution regarding E-Rate. Mr. Cullum made the motion to Accept the resolution. Mrs. Allison Accepted. Mr. Frayser is looking into applying for the LSTA grant, as well as a grant that would help with outside improvements.

Director’s Report (see attached)

Mr. Rokicki then presented the claims. Tom Cullum made a motion to accept the claims. Tamara Allison seconded. Accepted.

The meeting was then adjourned.
Directors Report July 18, 2019

Larry Rudisill was here June 27th and presented “History of Money and Currency Issues”. There were 15 people in attendance.

The Mueller Report Play "The Investigation: A Search for the Truth in 10 Acts” was presented here at the WMI July 11th with 28 patrons in attendance.

The New Harmony Music festival had a pop-up concert here on July 12th with 45 attending.

The second round of our Member Lectures will begin tonight (July 18th). Tamara Allison will be talking about composting. Amanda Chevalier will be presenting “Everything you need to know about Coffee”. Jan Kahle will be sharing information about Francis Wright.

Kevin Valadares of the New Harmony Conversation’s will present “Prepare for your Care” Wednesday July 24th. This lecture will address advance care planning.

Vigo County Historical Society & Museum has requested an outgoing loan on some of our Natural History Items. These items will remain on loan for one year.
The Board of Trustees of the Working Men’s Institute met on **August 8, 2019**.

Fred Frayser called the meeting to order. In attendance were President Fred Frayser, Vice President Nathan Maudlin, Secretary Tom Cullum, President of the Friends of the Working Men’s Institute Katie Reineke, Director Ryan Rokicki and Circulation Specialist Shannon DeLap.

Minutes of the July 18, 2019 meeting had been sent out electronically. Tom Cullum moved to accept the minutes as presented. Nathan Maudlin seconded. Accepted.

The Treasurer’s Report was given by Fred Frayser. Tom Cullum moved to accept and hold for audit. Nathan Maudlin seconded. Accepted.

Katie Reineke gave the Friends of the WMI report. Roberta Heiman will present “Votes for Women - And Then What?” Tuesday August 20th at 6:30 p.m. Thursday August 22nd at 6:30 p.m. Norbert Krapf will be having a poetry reading. The Friends will be donating snacks for this event. Our next book sale will take place September 21st and 22nd. The FWMI would like to help finance some of the updates here at the WMI. The staff bathroom updates, UV film for windows and possibly some acid free storage for the archives are a few we are examining.

Old Business- Chris Koester is offering a Maintenance Agreement. This program is provided for several historic buildings in town. Mr. Rokicki will ask Chris for some clarification and additional details regarding this agreement.

In New Business- The Museum ceiling is needing repairs. These repairs will include electrical and architectural repairs much like the reading room repairs that were completed in the spring. The repairs wouldn’t begin until January of 2020. Tom Cullum made the motion to approve a $50,000 budget for these repairs. Mr. Maudlin seconded. Approved.

Director’s Report (see attached)

Mr. Rokicki then presented the claims. Nathan Maudlin made a motion to accept the claims. Tom Cullum seconded. Accepted.

The meeting was then adjourned.
Directors Report August 8, 2019

Kevin Valadares of the New Harmony Conversation’s presented “Prepare for your Care” Wednesday July 24th with five patrons in attendance. This lecture addressed advance care planning.

Harmonie State park was here July 24th and 25th. There were numerous DNR representatives here from through-out the state taking updated training classes.

Norbert Krapf will present a poetry reading on August 22nd at 6:30 p.m. He will highlight a few of his poems from his newest book Indiana Hill Country Poems. A big thanks to Ken and Peggy Meyer for recommending the WMI for this event.

We have purchased some new books and movies for the library! One Good Deed by David Baldacci, The Cornwall's are Gone by James Patterson and Waiting on Tom Hanks by Kerry Winfrey are just a few of the new titles available to check out.

School has resumed! Our “Library Lil” after school program will resume on Thursday September 5th at 3:30 p.m.

Chris Koester will be here tomorrow to paint the windows. He will be painting a sample window to start. The color will be “Universal Khaki”. This color was matched via the paint sample that was taken earlier in the summer.

Our Budget workshop with DLGF will be next Tuesday, August 13th.

There will be a WMI volunteer picnic Sunday September 15th at 5:00 p.m. It will be held at Maclure Park across from Johnson Methodist Church. Everyone is asked to bring a side dish and/or dessert.
The Board of Trustees of the Working Men’s Institute met on September 12, 2019.

Fred Frayser called the meeting to order. In attendance were President Fred Frayser, Vice President Nathan Maudlin, Treasurer Connie Weinzapfel, Trustee Tamara Allison, Secretary of the Friends of the Working Men’s Institute Jeanne Maudlin, Director Ryan Rokicki and Circulation Specialist Shannon DeLap.

The Budget Hearing for 2020 was called to order by Mr. Frayser. No members of the public were in attendance, so no questions were offered. Mr. Frayser then adjourned the Budget Hearing.

Mr. Frayser then called the Trustees Meeting to order.

Minutes of the August 8, 2019 meeting had been sent electronically. Mr. Maudlin moved to accept the minutes. Mr. Frayser seconded. Approved.

The Treasurer’s Report was then presented by Connie Weinzapfel. Mr Maudlin made the motion to transfer $385,000 from the actively managed accounts to the gift fund. Tamara Allison seconded. Accepted. Mr. Maudlin moved to accept the report and hold it for audit. Connie Weinzapfel seconded. Approved.

Jeanne Maudlin gave the Friends of the WMI report. The annual Kunstfest book sale will be held September 21st and 22nd. We will set up on Friday September 20th. The FWMI Chili cook off will be held on Saturday October 19th from 11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

In old business

- Josh Lamb was in today to discuss the updates for the lighting in the gallery and the “Room for the dissemination of useful Knowledge” as well as the outdoor outlets.
- Chris Koester was also here to discuss the repairs on the ceilings in these rooms as well.

In new business

- The Board was reminded that there is one remaining opening in membership.

Director’s Report (see attached)

Mr. Rokicki then presented the claims. Mr. Maudlin made the motion to accept the claims. Ms. Weinzapfel seconded. Accepted.

The meeting was then adjourned.
The Board of Trustees of the Working Men’s Institute met on October 10, 2019.

Fred Frayser called the meeting to order. In attendance were President Fred Frayser, Vice President Nathan Maudlin, Treasurer Connie Weinzapfel, Trustee Tamara Allison, Secretary of the Friends of the Working Men’s Institute Jeanne Maudlin, Director Ryan Rokicki and Circulation Specialist Shannon DeLap.

Mr. Frayser then called the Trustees Meeting to order.

Minutes of the September 12, 2019 meeting had been sent electronically. Ms. Weinzapfel moved to accept the minutes. Mr. Maudlin seconded. Approved.

The Treasurer’s Report was then presented by Connie Weinzapfel. Mr. Maudlin made the motion to transfer the amount over $385,000.00 from the Actively Managed Account to the Special Projects Fund. (Estimated to be around $6000.00 at the time of the meeting). Connie Weinzapfel seconded. Approved.

Jeanne Maudlin gave the Friends of the WMI report. The annual FWMI Chili cook off will be held on Saturday October 19th from 11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. There are eight teams as of today. A big thank you to the Janik family for setting up the book sale.

In old business

- Chris Koester was here yesterday. He wants to postpone painting the windows until the brick is sealed. He would like to wait until spring to finish this project. He was given a deadline of April 15th to have these repairs completed. He is going to fill in the steps where they are broken and caulk them as well.

In new business

- Mr. Prosperi commended director Rokicki for sending some gifts. He will be unable to host a student next year.
- The Indiana Library Federation Conference will be held November 3-5. Director Rokicki will be attending. The Trustees encouraged Mr. Rokicki to attend additional conferences as there is money allocated in the budget for this purpose. The conference of the American Association of State and Local History was mentioned specifically.

Director’s Report (see attached)

Mr. Rokicki then presented the claims. Mr. Maudlin made the motion to accept the claims. Ms. Weinzapfel seconded. Accepted.

The meeting was then adjourned.
Director’s Report October 10, 2019

Our Volunteer picnic held on Sunday September 15th was a success. We had 28 people that attended.

The annual Kunstfest book sale was held September 21st and 22nd here at the WMI.

The Gray Cemetery Trust had a Hors D’oeuvres and cocktail hour hear at the WMI on September 28th. Shannon, Taylor and I were then invited to attend the dinner at the Granary.

The Dulcimer group will hold classes here at the WMI on Friday October 18th and Saturday October 19th.

The FWMI Chili Cook-off will take place on Saturday October 19th beginning at 10:30 a.m.

We have decorated the WMI for Halloween/fall. We will be participating in the Business Trick or Treat event on Wednesday October 30th from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Josh Lamb will be here next week to check the outside outlets prior to the Chili cook-off.
The Board of Trustees of the Working Men’s Institute met on **November 7, 2019.**

Fred Frayser called the meeting to order. In attendance were President Fred Frayser, Vice President Nathan Maudlin, Treasurer Connie Weinzapfel, Trustee Tom Cullum, Trustee Tamara Allison, Director Ryan Rokicki and Circulation Specialist Shannon DeLap. Also in attendance was Robert Bernardin from Hilliard Lyons.

Mr. Frayser then called the Trustees Meeting to order.

Minutes of the October 10, 2019 meeting had been sent electronically. Connie Weinzapfel moved to accept the minutes. Tom Cullum seconded. Approved.

The Treasurer's Report was then presented by Connie Weinzapfel. Mr. Maudlin moved to accept and hold for audit. Mrs. Allison seconded. Accepted.

Mr. Bernardin then gave the annual report. It was suggested that Mr. Bernardin scour the investments and suggest some changes.

In old business

- Chris Koester is set to start the renovations upstairs January 6th. Mr. Koester also stated that he will not seal brick in wet weather. He is still on track to finish the sealing of the building by the April 15th deadline.
- Mr. Cullum stressed his concerns with the ceilings and roof. Ms. Weinzapfel will be getting estimates for the roof repair in January.

In new business

- We are currently seeking volunteers to help decorate the WMI for Christmas.
- There will soon be an opening available in the membership.
- Beginning in January the BOT meetings will be held on the third Thursday of the month at 4:45 p.m.

Director’s Report (see attached)

Mr. Rokicki then presented the claims. Mr. Maudlin made the motion to accept the claims. Mr. Cullum seconded. Accepted.

The meeting was then adjourned.
Historic New Harmony had a history fair at the WMI on Sunday October 13th. Several residents of New Harmony were recorded giving some very historic stories of the town. Fifteen people were in attendance.

The Dulcimer group held classes here at the WMI on Friday October 18th and Saturday October 19th. We would like to thank all those who played for our Chili Cookoff.

DAR held an award ceremony this past Sunday here at the WMI. There were 15 people here for this event.

We will be attending the History celebration at the Evansville Museum. This event will be held Saturday November 16th.

The Indiana Library Federation Conference was held November 3-5 in Indianapolis.

The New Harmony Clay Project will hold a lecture here Thursday November 14th at 6:00 p.m.

Healthy Spaces will be here Wednesday November 13th to give us a free quote for the dehumidifier.
The Board of Trustees of the Working Men’s Institute met on **December 12, 2019**.

Fred Frayser called the meeting to order. In attendance were President Fred Frayser, Vice President Nathan Maudlin, Treasurer Connie Weinzapfel, Secretary Tom Cullum, Trustee Tamara Allison and Director Ryan Rokicki.

Minutes of the November 7, 2019 meeting had been sent electronically. Connie Weinzapfel moved to accept the minutes. Tom Cullum seconded. Approved.

The Treasurer’s Report was then presented by Connie Weinzapfel. Tamara Allison made the motion to move money from the Actively Managed Account to the Special Projects savings account whenever the balance of the Actively Managed Account reached $600,000 or above. (Thereby updating the previous standing motion). Nathan Maudlin Seconded. Accepted. Nathan Maudlin moved to accept and hold for audit. Tom Cullum seconded. Accepted.

Ryan Rokicki gave the Friends of the WMI report. Kristalyn Shefvaland was her November 7th and presented the final FWMI lecture for 2019. There were 30 people in attendance for this event.

In Old Business

The ceiling renovations will begin in the Museum January 6th. All freestanding exhibit components (display cases, etc.) will be temporarily moved to the Murphy Gallery.

In New Business

Mr. Rokicki requested a board motion to allow end-of-year transfers to be made to keep all WMI budget items in the black. Connie Weinzapfel moved to allow these end-of-year transfers to be made to satisfy State Board of Accounts policies. Tamara Allison seconded. Accepted

Mr. Rokicki reported on a potential acquisition of a painting by Luke Randell. After some discussion it was decided that the matter should be taken up with the collections committee.

The Trustee’s meeting was then recessed, and an executive session was called to order.

Staff salaries, wages were established for 2020. The regular Trustee’s meeting was then resumed.

Director’s Report (see attached)

Mr. Rokicki then presented the claims. Mr. Maudlin made the motion to accept the claims. Ms. Weinzapfel seconded. Accepted.

The meeting was then adjourned.
Kristalyn Shefvaland was here on November 7th and presented the final FWMI lecture of the year. There were 30 people in attendance.

Kari Woolsey, long term resident artist with the New Harmony Clay Project, was here on November 14th and presented “Everydayness”. There were 18 people in attendance.

We have decorated for Christmas! We would like to thank Janie Sutlles, Peggy Meyer, Carolyn Stone and Christine Crews for their time and effort.

Christmas in New Harmony was December 7th and 8th. We hosted two Christmas movies “The Snowman” and “A Charlie Brown Christmas”. We also made Make and Take Christmas ornaments. We had about 80 kids that came in over the course of both days.

Monday December 17, 2019 Jim Naas will be here to install the water softener.

The dehumidifier has been ordered for the basement and it will be installed next week.

Our Christmas Open House will be tomorrow evening (December 13th) from 6:30 to 8:30. It will be catered by Amanda Hein Smith of Simply Prepped Meals.