

The Board of Trustees of the Working Men's Institute met on January 16, 2020.

Fred Frayser called the meeting to order. In attendance were President Fred Frayser, Vice President Nathan Maudlin, Treasurer Connie Weinzapfel, Trustee Tamara Allison, President of The Friends of The WMI Katie Reineke, Director Ryan Rokicki and Circulation Specialist Shannon DeLap.

Minutes of the December 12, 2019 meeting had been sent electronically. Tamara Allison moved to accept the minutes. Connie Weinzapfel seconded. Approved.

The Treasurer's Report was then presented by Connie Weinzapfel. The Annual Review was moved from October to June. Nathan Maudlin moved to accept and hold for audit.

Katie Reineke gave the Friends of the WMI report. The FWMI voted to put ½ to \$3000 towards the renovation of the staff bathroom.

#### In Old Business

The ceiling renovations began in the Museum January 6th. Josh Lamb will begin with the electrical work on Tuesday January 21<sup>st</sup>. It was decided that this would be an excellent time to refinish the floors.

The board was asked about maybe purchasing some fencing to help with fencing project. It was decided at this time that there were other projects that needed attention before addressing the fence.

#### In New Business

The Long Range Plan will be presented at the next BoT meeting.

The Posey County Women's fund Grant is now available. The deadline to apply is February 16<sup>th</sup>. This grant would help purchase archival tools needed for the preservation of women's artifacts.

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 January 16, 2020

Our Christmas open house was a huge success! We had 35 people in attendance. A big thank you to Amanda Hein Smith of Simply Prepped meals for catering the event.

Chris Koester has begun the renovations of the Museum. His crew was here January 7th and moved the artifacts and cases.

Melora and I are currently working on a new floor layout for the cases once the renovations are complete.

We have added three Nook tablets to our collection. These tablets may be checked out by a patron for one week intervals so that they may have access to our digital lending material.

Peggy Taylor will be presenting "Wool in Winter-A fiber Gathering" Saturday January 25th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and again on February 29th.

Southwest Indiana Chamber will hold a "Lunch and Learn" at the WMI on February 13th.

Randy and Deb Patrick will be here on February 18th.