

The Board of Trustees of the Working Men's Institute met on June 18, 2020

Fred Frayser called the meeting to order. In attendance were President Fred Frayser, Vice President Nathan Maudlin, Treasurer Connie Weinzapfel, Friends of the WMI Secretary Jeanne Maudlin, Patty Beagle, Robert Bernardin, Director Ryan Rokicki. Trustee Tamara Allison joined by phone.

Mr. Frayser asked for the suspension of Robert's Rules of Order to allow New Business to be handled first. Mr. Maudlin made the motion to suspend which was seconded by Ms. Weinzapfel. Approved.

In New Business

Patty Beagle, representing the New Harmony Farmer's Market, asked for permission to hold the market on the WMI's grounds on Saturday mornings. Attempts to find other suitable locations have been unsuccessful. After some discussion regarding the importance of the Farmer's Market to the community, Mr. Maudlin made the motion that the grounds of the WMI serve as the venue for the New Harmony Farmer's Market with the following conditions:

- a. the Farmer's Market will be a program of the WMI and the building will be open and staffed during market hours
- b. "New Harmony Farmer's Market, Presented by the Working Men's Institute" will be used in all advertising and marketing, and that the WMI's logo will be used in same.
- c. all visitors and participants to the market will be counted and those numbers reported to the WMI for our visitation records.
- d. that the WMI be allowed a booth at the market for marketing purposes.
- e. the WMI will be named as an additional insured on the Farmer's Market's insurance policy.
- f. that the Farmer's Market adhere to the guidelines and practices that are standard for farmer's markets.
- g. the market will run Saturdays for the 2020 calendar year, 9:00am - 12:00pm.

Ms. Beagle being agreeable to all conditions, the motion was seconded by Ms. Weinzapfel. Approved.

Minutes of the May 21, 2020 meeting had been sent electronically. Mr. Maudlin moved to accept the minutes. Ms. Weinzapfel seconded. Approved. The portion of May's Director's Report regarding the PPP loan was asked to be expanded.

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

Robert Bernardin then presented a review of our investments with Baird/Hilliard Lyons. The affects of the Coronavirus as well as political situations on the market were discussed. Our holdings have continued to gain since the losses of February and March. Mr. Bernardin feels optimistic with where our holdings are and does not believe any major changes are needed at this time.

Jeanne Maudlin then gave the Friends report. The Independence Day Celebration program, featuring Tamara Allison will be held on Facebook this year due to the pandemic. The Friends are discussing using this platform for future programs as well.

In Old Business

Mr. Rokicki reported that his plan was to return to full hours (as they were before the pandemic) on July 5. This would correspond with the beginning of Stage 5 of Governor Holcomb's "Back on Track" plan. Any developments relating to the spread of COVID-19 may alter this plan. Most programs remain postponed or canceled at this time.

In Other New Business

Mr. Maudlin reported an opportunity to partner with the National Alliance on Mental Illness for the discussion of race relations. The Trustees were in agreement that Mr. Maudlin should continue exploring this opportunity.

Ms. Weinzapfel then suggested a new procedure for approving large expenditures related to building and renovation projects. She proposed that she and Mr. Cullum review all proposals and invoices over \$5,000.00 prior to submission to the Trustees. Mr. Maudlin made this proposal a motion which was then seconded by Mrs. Allison. Approved.

Director's Report (see attached)

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

The meeting was then adjourned.

Director's Report June 18, 2020

We have added promotional videos to Facebook regarding new materials in the library and the reopening of the museum. These were filmed by Jacob Mumford and feature the WMI staff.

All finishing touches are complete in the Museum Gallery. Displays were reinstalled with the volunteered help of Chris and Bryce Koester and Ayden Rokicki. The majority of objects on display now have interpreted labels and the gallery has a new layout.

Chris Koester will begin painting the exterior windows next week. A lift will be on site.

A practice run of the Independence Day program is scheduled for June 24th. As this is our first foray into Facebook Live, this will give us the opportunity to test this platform.