

**Aurora Free Library Board of Trustees Meeting
August 16, 2018**

Called to order 5:15pm

Attending - Brian Brown, Deb Hoke, Ellen Wikstrom, Jim Burkett, Julie Schneider, Steve Moolin, Rufus Bates, Ed Easter, Sandy Groth **Excused** – Barb Blom

Approve agenda: *Motion by J. Schneider, Second by Deb H. Unanimous consent*

Treasurer report: Waiting on big flush in the fall. Currently \$30K in the hole to be made up with in fall through tax payment from School District.

Tax return available for review at the library.

Director's report: Parade for Wells College 150-year celebration- parade begins at the Aurora Fire Department at 4pm October 20th. Sandy will reach out to parents and students about riding the float- Steve to speak to reach out to Wells

President's report: Library construction aid due in Aug 30th. Total ask \$23,000 (\$11,500 after the 50% reimburse).

Preservation Committee: Library Construction Aid - Roof repair work deferred due to safety related cost increase to \$40K. The plan for the aid is being diverted to another track namely east wall water infiltration, MOH Stage doors, and furnace upgrades.

Fund Raising: Reaching out to Marie Dentes about BLB- Invitations are going out. Book Sale feedback- consensus that it was successful and good as a community outreach.

Morgan Opera House: Briefed on upcoming events

Recruiting: Fund Raising is a priority. Organizational needs - first find people to participate in small tasks to develop an emotional buy-in and confidence to greater commitment.

Question- Is Book Lover's Ball pulling in new members to prevent organizational burn out?

Goal to find replacement for Deb H. as treasurer in time to transition new person in by 2020 term limit for DH. Deb H to write job description.

Officer Appointment: *Appoint Ed Easter Vice President of Board- Motion by Steve M, Second by Brian B, Unanimous consent with one abstention (Easter)*

Scheduled for later discussion: September briefing on continuing education for staff on technology. This is to bring us in-line with new Minimum Library Standards and new long-range plan.

Recognition: Sandy recognized for her service to the library - particularly her expertise in editing.

Adjourn: *Motion by J. Burkett, Second by B. Brown, Unanimous consent.*