Scenic Regional Library Foundation Meeting November 18, 2020

This virtual (Zoom) meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. on November 18, 2020, with the following in attendance: Steven Campbell, Alice Whalen, Debbie Depew, Sandy Feldkamp, Sheri Hausman, Debbie Heggemann, Stephanie Norton, Shelby Uffmann, Lynette Watts, and Susan McKee.

- I. <u>Financial Report</u>: Total Equity for all the Friends groups is \$130,219.39. The report was approved unanimously after a motion by Sherri Hausman, which was seconded by Stephanie Norton.
- II. Approval of minutes from September 16 regular meeting and October 21 special meeting: With a motion by Lynette Watts and a second by Stephanie Norton, the minutes were approved.
- III. Hermann Branch Update: Preliminary plans for the branch are finished. The layout is similar to other branches. Because the building is large, there is room for an art gallery for local artists to display and sell their work. A separate corridor to the gallery and meeting rooms will allow patrons to use those areas after hours when the library itself is closed. Final plans are due in February with construction beginning in the summer of 2021.
- IV. <u>Covid Update</u>: Six employees tested positive in the last month and two dozen are in quarantine. Branches may close for short periods because of staff shortages, but Steve does not foresee closing down. The Library Board approved a mask requirement for all patrons starting November 20. Sherri Hausman suggested a newspaper article explaining why branches may have to close.
- V. Looking at 2021-Spring Membership Renewals, Election of Officers:
- A. Steve suggested that the Foundation Board may decide to meet less often, but we decided to meet at our usual time in January to further discuss our fund-raising plans.
- B. The board agreed that moving the Spring Membership Drive to the Fall would be a good idea.
- C. Foundation Board member Pam Idel has resigned, so we will need a member from Gasconade County to fill her seat.
- VI. <u>Recap of the October 16 Special Board Meeting</u>: The Foundation Board would like to pursue a fundraising project. We will choose one after the library staff gives us a list of suggestions.
- VII. <u>Foundation Fundraiser</u>: Steve researched a "Words with Friends" tournament that a literacy council hosted, but it did not make much money and didn't seem plausible. The Foundation Board is still interested in a "Stay at Home and Read a Book Ball" for 2021. We will choose a date in January while the committee will work on an invitation and graphics.
- VIII. <u>Adjournment</u>: The meeting was adjourned with a motion by Sherri Hausman, which was seconded by Debbie Depew. Our next regular meeting will be January 20, 2021.

Respectfully submitted by Susan McKee