

South Central Library System Foundation Minutes
1:00 pm on 02/11/2022
100% virtual

Present:

Mike Furgal
Peter Kaland
Gary Poulson
Radha Sijapati
Martha Van Pelt
Theresa Walske

Absent:

Janet Pugh
Nick Studnicka
K. Williams

1. Call to order: 1:01 by Theresa Walske
 - a. Introduction of guests/visitors
 - b. Changes/Additions to the Agenda
 - c. Requests to address the Committee

2. Foundation support of fundraising for new building space (meeting rooms, professional collection) available to all libraries.

3. Cornerstone
 - A. Confirmed January 2022 Board Meeting Proposal:
Awardee will be **Professional Collection Space** (not an individual) to be used by all libraries in the new SCLS Building.
Amount: All Funds raised from 2022 Cornerstone. Typically this money would be allocated to 2024 but will be used immediately for the Professional Collection Space.
Motion made to confirm proposal by M. Van Pelt
Second by G. Poulson
Motion passed.

 - B. Discussion:
 - Proposed Cornerstone location is a tent rental and catering on or adjacent to the building site. After discussion, it was felt this would be too costly an option and create liability issues.
 - Date of September 15 was chosen as a first choice with the location in Waunakee.
 - G. Poulson will contact Buck & Honey's, Long Girl Brewing and Rex's Innkeeper as possible venues with outside options.

4. Use of existing SCLSF account funds for new building- options
 - a. Use 2022 & 2023 disbursements (\$4,256.60 & \$6,320.28) Total of \$10,576.88
 - i. Use both disbursement amount and SCLS portion Total of \$21,153.76
 - b. Release current interest – estimated at \$16,000
 - c. Dip into SCLSF fund
 - d. Donations could be specified to go to support the new building.
 - e. Use money to purchase items in new building that benefit members, meeting rooms, furniture, out fitting of professional collection

Consensus was to use options a, b, e. Resulting in \$37,153.76 immediate revenue for project. It will be taken as a recommendation to the April Foundation Board meeting for approval to use for meeting rooms and professional collection.

M. Van Pelt will confirm estimate of outfitting the Professional Collection and Meeting Rooms to establish goals of fundraising. She will contact U-W Memorial Library to access their grant resource center. She is already working on creating a web page on the SCLS web site to provide building renderings and information about the project to members and donors. T. Walske will address the SCLS Board on fundraising.

M. Van Pelt and T. Walske will identify possible grants and ask Foundation and SCLS Board members to write grants to identified agencies. They will set a time to meet to work on this. In addition the Foundation will look into:

Naming Rights

Seek Corporate Donors

Seek Sponsorships

Direct letters from Foundation Directors and SCLS trustees to contacts

Grant Writing

- Alliant Energy
- Charity Navigator
- Links to search charities for good partners
- WI Economic Development Corp – Capacity building Grant

Send letters to SCLS Foundation members for donations

5. Adjournment: 2:00