Lee-Whedon Memorial Library Special Board Meeting November 6, 2024

Present: K. Boice, C. Kiebala, I. Mark, S. O'Dea, D. Schwert, K. Mostyn, S. Covis

K. Mostyn called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Christine Crowley, the library's fiscal advisor for the construction project, was present at the meeting to discuss the impact of the building project on the taxpayers. She presented the estimated annual interest, payments, and impact on individual taxpayers and compared the numbers between 15, 20, and 25 year bond terms. She also compared those same terms including an anticipated grant as well as fundraising. C. Kiebala made a motion to move forward with the 20 year bond term as presented. The motion was seconded by S. O'Dea and approved by all. Christine will be presenting these numbers at the Public Information Meeting on December 3.

Yard signs and flyers have been ordered from the Print Shop advertising both the Public Information Meeting and the bond vote. These will be ready on Friday. K. Mostyn will deliver the flyers to local businesses to hand out.

Board members discussed various groups within the community that they can go out to speak to about the project. They will be doing that this month and attending any meetings if possible.

Absentee ballots have been sent out by the school. There is an information sheet included that is also available on our website. Anyone who wishes to request an early mail in vote should reach out to Julie Kuhn at the school.

K. Mostyn will be running ads and a press release announcing the public information session and the vote. The library can pay for informational advertisements. Any advocacy has to be paid for by the Friends. The Friends are paying for the yard signs. K. Mostyn will also order bookmarks with the date of the vote that Board members can distribute as they are speaking to community members.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:46 a.m. on a motion by K. Boice, seconded by S. O'Dea and approved by all.

The next regular meeting is November 18, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. Respectfully submitted: S. Covis 11/06/2024