MINUTES

INDIANA LIBRARY AND HISTORICAL BOARD

September 16th, 2022

Indiana State Library

Room 401

# CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Business meeting of the Indiana Library and Historical Board was called to order by Ms. Laurel Setser at 10:05 am. Board members present were Ms. Megan Thompson, Mr. Joe Skvarenina and Mr. Tom Neuffer. Also, present was, Jacob Speer, Director of the Indiana State Library.

Others present were:

Katrice Anders-Jordan, State Library

Stephanie Asberry, State Library

Gvido Burgis, Foundation Board

Jen Clifton, State Library

Angela Downs, State Library

Dave Gray, Hancock County Public Library

Michella Marino, Historical Bureau

Casey Pfeiffer, Historical Bureau

Sylvia Watson, State Library

1. **INDIANA LIBRARY AND HISTORICAL DEPARTMENT BUSINESS**

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| 9-1-22  Agenda | The agenda was presented for approval. Mr. Skvarenina moved and  Mr. Neuffer seconded to approve the agenda.  **TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.**  **Motion passed.** |

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| 9-2-22  Approval of the ILHB  Minutes | The minutes of the June 17th, 2022, meeting were presented for approval. Ms. Thompson moved, and Mr. Skvarenina seconded:  **TO APPROVE THE June 17th, 2022, MINUTES AS PRESENTED.**  **Motion passed.** |

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| 9-3-22  ISL  Personnel Report | Mr. Speer presented the Personnel Report for approval. New Hires Dante Robinson, Accountant 4, Administration effective 6/27/22; Britta Dorsey, Database Analyst Associate, MIS, effective 7/11/22; Adam Bullock, Applied Systems Analyst, MIS, effective 8/22/22. Retirements/Resignations: Alice Winslow, Librarian 1, Genealogy, retired 8/26/22. Promotion/Transfers: Ruth Frasur, reclassified to IT Project Manager Associate, MIS, effective 6/26/22; Damon Lawrence, Promoted to Program Director 2, Administration, effective 8/7/22. Mr. Neuffer moved, and Ms. Thompson seconded:  **TO APPROVE THE PERSONNEL REPORT AS PRESENTED.**  **Motion passed.** |

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| 9-4-22  ISL Financial Report | Ms. Anders-Jordan presented the Financial Report for approval. Mr. Skvarenina moved, and Mr. Neuffer seconded:  **TO APPROVE THE PERSONNEL REPORT AS PRESENTED.**  **Motion passed.** |

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| 9-5-22  Historical Markers Applications | **Recommended Marker Applications-**   1. Marie Stewart Edwards (Miami Co.) 2. John “Wes” Montgomery (Marion Co.) 3. Phyllis Wheatley YWCA (Marion Co.) 4. Syrian Quarter (Marion Co.) 5. Ray Crowe (Johnson Co.) 6. Evaleen Stein (Tippecanoe Co.) 7. St. Mary’s Catholic Church (Marion Co.) 8. Andrew Foster (Marion Co.) 9. Dr. Mary Thomas (Wayne Co.) 10. Camp Chesterfield (Madison Co.) 11. Lella Trafelet (Switzerland Co.) 12. South Side Turnverein Hall (Marion Co.) 13. Jane Brooks Hine (Dekalb Co.) 14. Copshaholm (St. Joseph Co.) 15. Kin Hubbard (Brown Co.) 16. Hungarian Immigrant Community (Vigo Co.) Mr. Neuffer moved, and Mr. Skvarenina seconded:   **TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDED MARKER APPLICATIONS AS PRESENTED.**  **Motion passed.**  **Not Recommended Marker Applications-**  1. Studebaker (St. Joseph Co.)  2. Venoge Farmstead (Switzerland Co.)  3. Carrie Whalon (Marion Co.)  4. Sisters of Charity Hospital (Marion Co.)  5. St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church (Lake Co.)  6. Fort Wayne Bible School (Allen Co.)  7. Lynching of George Tompkins (Marion Co.)  8. Midwest Motorcycle Club (Marion Co.)  9. Gil Hodges (Gibson Co.)  10. Ingram Richardson Manufacturing Company (Clinton Co.)  11. Contributions to Law Enforcement through Indiana State Police Superintendent Robert O’Neal (Marion Co.)  12. Frederick Douglass (Henry Co.)  13. Charles Romaine (Madison Co.)  14. Historic King’s Daughters’ Hospital (Jefferson Co.)  15. Pyramid Mound (Knox Co.)  16. Fountain County Clerk’s Building (Fountain Co.)  17. William Proctor House (Crawford Co.)  18. Rededication of Lincoln Statue Carved by Ira Correll (Daviess Co.) Mr. Neuffer moved, and Mr. Skvarenina seconded:  **TO APPROVE THE NOT RECOMMENDED MARKER APPLICATIONS AS PRESENTED.**  **Motion passed.**  William G. Pomeroy Grant Funding Recommendations:  In June 2022, the William G. Pomeroy Foundation approved IHB’s grant submission for funding assistance for the Indiana State Historical Marker Program to help offset rising costs for our applicants. Through the terms of the grant, the Pomeroy Foundation will provide full funding ($3,300) for three markers this cycle and $1,000 for up to fifteen other markers for a total of $24,900 for the 2022-2023 cycle. IHB received grant funding requests from 16 applicants this cycle. The Marker Application Review Committee recommends the following funding for 2022-2023 based on demonstrated financial need, topic priority, and geographic diversity:  Full funding of $3,300 (Total $9,900):   1. Ray Crowe (Johnson County) 2. Jane Brooks Hine (Dekalb County) 3. Camp Chesterfield (Madison County)   Partial funding of $1,000 (Total $13,000):   1. Marie Stewart Edwards (Miami County) 2. John “Wes” Montgomery (Marion County) 3. Phyllis Wheatley YWCA (Marion County) 4. Syrian Quarter (Marion County) 5. Evaleen Stein (Tippecanoe County) 6. St. Mary’s Catholic Church (Marion County) 7. Andrew Foster (Marion County) 8. Dr. Mary Thomas (Wayne County) 9. Lelia Trafelet (Switzerland County) 10. South Side Turnverein Hall (Marion County) 11. Copshalom (St. Joseph County) 12. Kin Hubbard (Brown County) 13. Hungarian Immigrant Community (Vigo County)   IHB is recommending 16 applications move forward this year, which would leave $2,000 in available grant funds. If the Pomeroy Foundation is agreeable to it, IHB recommends awarding the remaining $2,000 in funding to the Phyllis Wheatley YWCA marker, bringing their total awarded funding to $3,000. IHB is waiting to hear back from Pomeroy regarding this inquiry. Mr. Neuffer moved, and Mr. Skvarenina seconded:  **TO APPROVE THE WILLIAM G. POMEROY GRANT FUNDING AS PRESENTED.**  **Motion passed.** |
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| 9-6-22  Deputy Director Public & Statewide Services | Ms. Asberry presented the Public and Statewide Services Report that was included in the packet. Ms. Asberry also stated that the courier RFP posted, and we are wrapping up on the E-rate consortium RFP, which will post soon. IMLS officially approved our LSTA 5-year plan. ISL was a site along the Indy ultimate 5K on Saturday 9/10/2022. Their typical registration in the race is about 1,500. |
| 9-7-22  Deputy Director of the Historical Bureau | Dr. Marino presented the Historical Bureau Report that was include in the packet. Dr. Marino also stated that IHB received 34 applications for the marker program, indicating continued interest. Sewah costs have gone up and may interrupt the dedications of the upcoming marker cycles. Justin Clark was able to get a NEH/DDNP grant for the papers from northern IN, particularly a Gary paper. |
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| 9-8-22  Indiana State Librarian Report | | Mr. Speer spoke about the upcoming events at the Indiana State Library: Difference is You Conference; Discovery to Delivery and the Genealogy Fair. We are currently discussing the DPLA membership. The return on the investment is not that great. Talking with IUPUI about maybe partnering with them. Mr. Speer also stated that all State employees might be getting another raise. There will be an announcement in October 2022. Mr. Speer also state that trying to figure the future of SRCS. It has been in place for six years. It works well for the public libraries and not so much for the academic libraries.  Mr. Skvarenina asks about the out of standards letters from the last meeting being mailed to County Commissioners and Mr. Speer state that he only received one letter in response from Grant County. | |
|  | | **INDIANA STATE LIBRARY FOUNDATION REPORT** | |
| 9-9-22  ISL Foundation  Report     1. **OLD AND NEW BUSINESS** | | Mr. Burgis stated that the ISL Foundation account is down 15%. This year the budget was $200,000. Next year it will be around 170,000. Mr. Burgis also stated that the stock market is not doing that well. | |
| 9-10-22  Old and New Business | | New Business: Mr. Skvarenina stated that Mr. Gray the director from the Hancock County Public Library, is in attendance at the ILHB meeting.  Old Business: Ms. Setser wanted to know if Mr. Speer heard anything about the Indiana Historical Society appointment for the ILHB. Mr. Speer stated that he has not heard anything yet about the person who will be in this position. Mr. Speer will continue checking on this. | |
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Meeting adjourned 10:35 am Mr. Neuffer moved, and Ms. Thompson seconded:

NEXT MEETING: December 9th, 2022, at 10:00 am