

Ridgway Public Library
Board of Directors Meeting Agenda
November 20, 2024

Board Members: Steve Brazinski, Jane Bryndel, Steve Cleveland, Jessica Pontious,
Suzanne Wolfe, Bea Terbovich, Veronica Joiner
Library Director: JessicaWonderly

October Minutes

Director's Report

Treasurer's Report

- Budget
 - Jessica W. is in talks with Windstream to update our phone/fax and possibly switching internet from Comcast to their fiber-optic option. (See Attachment: Windstream quote)

Committee Reports:

Building:

Finance:

- Appropriation letters were sent to the municipalities on November 4.
- We received a check from the borough for \$929.72 for Q3/2024
- We received a check from Pete's Heating & Cooling for \$500.
- We received the pledge checks from the Doug & Charlotte C. Dobson Fund at ECCF (1 of 5 year pledge).
- Jessica and Zack Pontious pledge check was received.
- Betty Manno gave us a check for \$1k
- Thank you letters for all applicable have been sent.
- RASD annual allocation was received on 11/4, Jess W. will deposit in January.

Administrative:

Grants:

- Highmark Grant for Yoga on the Lawn/Summer 2025 was submitted on November 4.
- \$2,000 from Domtar for server-to-cloud conversion was received and deposited. Grant summary was sent.
- AJ Palumbo Grant (\$38k for a new roof)
 - Was submitted & mailed to officers on 11/14.

- Library tour and lunch were had with Joanne and Robert from AJ Palumbo Foundation on 11/13/24, everyone felt really positive about the meeting.
- We received an agreement for the \$1k unrestricted grant from Stackpole-Hall (recommendation of Judge Richard Masson). It was returned, so we should get the check before December
- I put a call into the MEE Foundation (they say on their website you have to call and discuss your grant proposal first to see if they want to move forward). Still waiting to hear back.
- Jane Dixon from the Doris Stackpole Foundation reached out to Jessica W. about future funding. Examples she had were “A Library of Things” or a little food pantry nook they got for St. Marys Library. Tia and Jessica are working on ideas now.

Fundraising:

- Library Luncheon was held on 11/10/24. After paying for food & Golf Course rental and raffle tickets, we brought home \$3430
- The fundraising committee discussed 2025 plans and expect to generate \$10k (conservatively) next year.

Old business:

- The final Little Library was taken and installed at the North Broad Park by the Ridgway Borough on 10/30/24

New business:

- Windstream phone/internet change.
- Jessica W. will meet with Carlson IT on 11/21 to discuss using them instead of Databranch (closer and seem to be cheaper).

Next Meeting: December 11, 2024 at the home of Darien Kontes.