

NCAC Board Minutes

December 6, 2018

Attending: Larry Greene, Allison Long, Linda Correll, Lois Stephens, Perry Martin, and Carol Grippo

**Call to Order:** 7:03 p.m.

### **Financial Report**

The financial report was presented. Larry noted that a few checks had come in that will not be posted until December so we should actually be even.

### **Facilities**

Windows in the boiler room and cafeteria need to be replaced as well as the ceiling in the kitchen. Larry is working on obtaining estimates.

Larry has taken down the prop up roof from the outside stage.

Larry reported that a gentleman came and spoke to him; he recently bought a building and had extra glazing. He has offered the glazing to us.

Larry reported that attendance for Free Lunch Fridays is about 50-60 most weeks.

### **Programs**

Perry suggested getting in touch with Ricky Cox with the Appalachian Studies Dept. at Radford. He might be a musician resource for JAM.

The baseball team would like to come inside the cafeteria to practice while the weather is still cold.

There is a desire to start a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and under basketball program or open gym for the same ages during the winter. There is a program in Pearisburg that Newport kids are attending. Starting a program would keep the Newport kids in Newport and provide a service.

Perry reported that the baseball team would like to purchase a batting cage that can be moved from inside to outside. However, that is a large expense and funds would have to be raised.

Linda suggested trying to get funding for the rec center from the county and wondered how we could go about capturing what we do in a year in order to prepare an annual report.

### **Library**

Lois reported that a donation may be coming to the library for supplies and new books. It was suggested that any books purchased first be children's book and then best sellers. A laminator was also suggested as a potential purchase. Lois will check with the donor and prepare a list of items the library would like to have.

Allison brought forward the idea of our library becoming a branch of the Pearisburg Library. Everyone agreed that would be a fantastic opportunity. Allison will begin working to see if that is a possibility.

### **Marketing**

Allison continues to work on the Word Press; she thinks she may have found a way to verify the web page.

### **Fundraising**

The Newport Christmas Market has 16 vendors. A "Day of" flier will be prepared containing the day's schedule. The library will be staffed, Santa will be visiting and pictures will be taken.

Larry suggested that next year fliers be posted at Hilltop, Super Val U, etc. and that the "LOVE" sign in front of the building be lit with lights.

Lunch will be provided, soup, chili, cornbread and dessert for a suggested donation of \$5.00 and a Newport Rec Center bakery will be in place to raise funds for the rec center.

**Other Business**

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.