



PALOS HEIGHTS
PUBLIC LIBRARY

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

May 18, 2023

Trustee Burek called the meeting to order at 6:01pm. In attendance were committee members Geraldine Burek, Sue Jankowski, and Patrick Keough. Also in attendance were Trustees Dianne Key and Susan Snow, Library Director Jesse Blazek, and Business Manager Terry Fleckenstein. Trustee Steve Foertsch joined the meeting at 6:30pm.

Committee members discussed the purpose of the committee. A statement was crafted describing this purpose. That statement reads as follows: "The purpose of the Fundraising Committee is to raise funds for the Library to expand the patron experience by enriching the facilities, programming, collections, and services that the Library provides to the community."

A number of fundraising activities were discussed including a 50/50 raffle at a Library-hosted concert in the park, a ticketed concert event, a cocktail reception, a wine tasting event, and a Taste of Palos food event.

The committee discussed the merits of holding a few large events each year rather than asking for donations at smaller events repeatedly throughout the year.

The committee discussed holding an inaugural large event in October, details to be determined.

Director Blazek discussed an idea for an "adopt a book" program.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55pm.