President Barney Lewis called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Also present were Amber Brown, Linda Fahrenbach, Judy Johnson, Jason Lester, Fern Miner, Director Christine Sterle, Treasurer Barbara Darnell, and board assistant Kathy Bowen.

Fern moved to approve the agenda with a second by Linda. Vote 5-0

Jason moved to approve the January Secretary’s report with additional claims presented by Barbara Darnell. Fern seconded. Vote 5-0

Barbara presented the Monthly Financial Report. Receipts into the operating fund for January, 2019 were $27,094.12. Operating fund disbursements totaled $59,967.58. January’s ending cash balance was $681,882.99 with investments of $273,752.98. Total Cash/Investments were $955,635.97.

Amber moved to approve the Register of Claims with a second by Judy. Vote 6-0

With no public present the board proceeded to Reports.

Thorntown Heritage Museum – Sandy is having the sand painting program on Tuesday, February 12. There will be a short narrative about the sand painting from the museum and supplies are furnished for participants to make and take their own sand painting.

Surveyor Jim Swift has committed to give a presentation at the Yearly SCHC Board meeting, October 24, 2019. The presentation is “Boone County Section corners with an emphasis on the Thorntown Reserve”. He is the surveyor that was used at the Colored Cemetery.

Sandy has been preparing the museum for spring by organizing, decluttering, and retagging artifacts as needed. She has also resumed going through the storage room inventory and making sure it is easily accessible and recorded in the Past Perfect program.

Old Business:

Staff are reviewing the Disaster Plan.

New Business:

Summer Reading – The youth department is planning to have “Party in the Park” (+inflatables) and Color Run at the park again this year. No objections were raised by board members.

Chili Cook-off Submission – Blacker/Gebhardt/Lewis recipe will be offered by the library at the annual Thorntown Chili Cook-off on Saturday February 16 from 5-7:30. It is $10 per person and is all you can eat. Come eat and vote!

Director’s Report:

The transition to becoming a fine-free library has gone well, with very few issues.

Annual Report – Barb has completed 100R (report of employee income) by the deadline and has gotten financials to ready for the state library report. Christine and Barb are working on
the State Library report, OPEB, and AFR (all due March 1). The library narrative report for
the board which will be completed and mailed to board members prior to the March
meeting.

The lighting has been updated to LED in the director’s office, the processing office, and the
processing storage room.

The wireless printing app has been installed. Staff and patrons can now use PrinterOn app,
OR use a weblink, OR send to email to print wirelessly. So far it is working as planned!

There was a nice turnout for the January 21 blood drive. Results: 20 total participants, 15
units of whole blood + 2 double red units collected = 19 total products, 49 patients
impacted. Next drive: May 6 from 1-5 p.m.

Barb is tweaking her storytime offerings to see if she can increase attendance. An example:
an upcoming pizza-themed storytime is being promoted as a Pizza Party. There will be
pizza – but also games, a craft, and a story to go along with the food. A scavenger hunt is
also planned for March.

Christine will be meeting with Zionsville and Lebanon librarians to discuss the United We
Read 2019 selection. Nan & Liza will be here for inspection Thursday, February 21; Indiana
Pest Control will be treat on the 22nd. We’ve had no incidences to report.

Family Game Night is Thursday, February 28. Drop in from 5-8 to play board/dice/tabletop
games!

Fern motioned to adjourn the February board meeting with a second by Amber at 6:55 p.m.
Vote 6-0.

Linda Fahrenbach, Secretary