President Barney Lewis called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Also present were Chuck Behrens, 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

Aaron Hymes with The Thompson Group presented an insurance proposal for consideration.

Amber moved to approve the November Secretary’s report with additional claims presented by Barbara Darnell. Jason seconded. Vote 7-0

Barbara presented the Monthly Financial Report. Receipts into the operating fund for November, 2019 were $27,031.63. Operating fund disbursements totaled $48,236.14. November’s ending cash balance was $660,480.13 with investments of $274,094.04. Total Cash/Investments were $934,574.17.

Jason moved to approve the Register of Claims with a second by Fern. Vote 7-0

With no public present the board proceeded to Reports.

Thorntown Heritage Museum – All blinds have been installed and look great. There were 15 in attendance at Sunday’s open house.

Old Business:

Election of Board Officers – Judy moved to approve the 2020 slate of officers with a second by Jason. Vote 7-0

- President – Barney Lewis
- Vice-president – Amber Brown
- Secretary – Linda Fahrenbach
- Treasurer-Liaison – Chuck Behrens

New Business:

Salary Resolution – Fern moved to approve the Salary Resolution with a second by Linda. Vote 7-0

Strategic Plan Draft – Christine presented the draft of the 2020 Strategic Plan. The board discussed wording of the plan and agreed that the draft addressed the issues and opportunities that were highlighted during the Strategic Planning Retreat. Christine will work on correcting some errors and the board will consider the plan again in January. Christine also shared some ideas for the library mission statement. Staff and board will have the opportunity to contribute ideas; the board will discuss in January.

Director’s Report:

Dunwoody Construction repaired the water damaged ceiling in the computer lab, just in time for the Christmas party last Monday. It looks great!
Around 382 were in attendance at the Christmas party. Next year we will assign a designated counter! Some kids got a little rowdy during the first animal show; we are investigating options for a reindeer meet & greet since that seems to be the highlight of the evening. We may get a new Santa for 2020. The current Santa is retiring (from Jan-Nov job) and may not come this far north.

There may be transfers and encumbrances at the January meeting. We are still waiting to hear back from ESG on security camera updates. If they can give a proposal, we can encumber 2019 funds to help with the project. We must do this at the January meeting.

For 2020 Barb will be re-numbering all of our funds as required by SBOA.

Doug Pedigo from PGH will visit our January meeting with his insurance proposal.

Judy motioned to adjourn the December board meeting with a second by Amber at 7:48 p.m. Vote 7-0.

Linda Fahrenbach, Secretary