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WRIGHT LIBRARY SEEKING NEW FOUNDATION BOARD MEMBERS

The Wright Memorial Public Library Foundation is seeking applicants for several open seats on its governing board. Board Members serve three-year terms.

The Wright Memorial Public Library Foundation is run by a volunteer board and exists to advance the goals, objectives, and priorities of the Wright Memorial Public Library. Most recently, the Foundation raised \$58,863 in the 2022 Annual Campaign, far exceeding its initial \$40,000 goal. With those donations, the Foundation funded key projects for the library such as:

- Books rewarding achievement in Summer Reading Club
- After hours book drop and holds pickup locker
- Community events like Live Falconry, Live Penguins, and Outdoor Children's Theater
- Write@Wright Workshops, Far Hills Music Series, author visits
- Gingerbread House Competition
- Early childhood learning toys, Makerbox, Wonderbooks, and Playaway collections
- Eco-friendly water fountain and decorative exterior lighting

The Foundation Board welcomes candidates with the following skills and competencies:

- A passion for community, fundraising, and the library.
- Availability to attend monthly meetings (1.5-2 hours on the first Wednesday of each month).
- Availability to join 1-2 sub-committees and commit 3-5 hours per month of time to board activities.
- Experience with finance, fundraising, event planning, communications, data base management, or project management is preferred but not required.
- Availability to support and/or lead fundraising efforts through the Annual Campaign, Tour de Gem, and Planned Giving initiatives.

Applications may be obtained at Wright Library's Information Desk or may be printed from the library's website at <u>wrightlibrary.org/foundation</u> and returned to the library. Completed applications are due by 5:00 p.m., August 25,2023.