

**FRIENDS OF THE L.D. FARGO PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING-April 15, 2019**

I. Call to Order: President Vicki Wickliffe called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM. Present were Kathleen O'Hearn, Charlie Roy, Beckie Kane, Anne Werner, Carol Burrows, Patty Hoggatt, and Gerard Saylor. Librarian Marilyn Sieb was also present.

A. Minutes of March 18, 2019, Board Meeting: Motion to approve by Beckie, seconded by Kathleen, motion passed.

B. Treasurer's Report: Charlie reported the following balances:

Savings: \$18,816.88	L.M. Market Book Sales: \$32.50
Checking: \$ 6,184.44	Library Book Sales: \$35.50
CD: \$10,000.00, \$8,400.00 (new CDs)	
LMACF: \$35,193.84	

C. Library Director's Input:

- Library steps to be repaired in May.
- Parking lot and driveway still waiting for definite date.
- Contacting Russ Christianson to strip/stain front doors.
- \$50,000.00 gift donation went for the following: security cameras, computers, children's furniture, die cut machine, and carpet/furniture cleaning.
- No decision has been made on recognition for Ruth Wollenburg .

D. Library staff input:

Marilyn reported that author David Benjamin will be at the library at 6:30 pm on April 30th. Beckie will fill in for Marilyn.

II. Old Business

A. Evening of Poetry: There were 25 attendees with over half participating either by reading a favorite poem or self-written poem(s). It was an intergenerational event with great diversity in age. Because of the positive response as well as inquiries if there will be another, the Friends would like to sponsor another poetry evening in the fall.

B. FOL Scholarship: Kathleen stated that six applied for the scholarship but one applicant did not qualify due to out of county. Selection of candidate should be finished by the end of the month.

C. Stained Glass Window: We will wait for Bud to do window.

D. Recognition of Ruth Wollenburg: We will discuss at next board meeting.

E. Garden Tour 2019:

- Vicki will write an article, requesting gardens, for the Leader.
- Beckie will research cost for visors to be handed out to gardeners/volunteers.
- Carol suggested a rubber boot as a collection container for donations at each site.

- There will be no cancellation due to rain (Rain or shine).
- Date for tour is 7/27.
- Details will be discussed at next board meeting.

F. Taxability of FOL Income & Investments: Charlie talked to the bank and was told there is no tax on donations. Charlie will research the taxability of interest and investments. Charlie stated that there is very little interest on savings accounts. There was discussion if all savings should be invested in CD(s) now or if we should invest savings every three months as voted on previously. Discussion will continue at next meeting.

III. New Business:

- A. Incentives for the Adult Summer Reading Program: Marilyn suggested that FOL again donate \$10 to the Jefferson County Literacy Council for each person who completes the Adult Summer Reading program. Beckie moved to contribute \$10 for each person who completes the Adult Summer Reading Program, Carol seconded, and the motion passed. No total dollar amount was requested at this time since we will wait for the final total at the end of the program. Marilyn said that last year the Friends donated \$10 for each of 40 participants and that the JCLC appreciated the donation. There will also be drawings for gift bags for program participants.
- B. Family Trivia Night: Anne suggested another family trivia night at the library. Anne will organize and Beckie will help. Beckie moved to have family trivia, Carol seconded, and motion passed.
- C. Friends of Friends: Vicki attended a meeting with several persons from Dane County Friends of the Libraries. The group agreed to develop a questionnaire to send to various Friends groups to see if there is interest in having a one to two day conference. The National Friends of Libraries Week is in mid October.
- D. WLA (Wisconsin Library Association) Membership: Gerard explained the benefits of joining WLA. The Bridges Library System will reimburse the registration fee of \$75.00 for FOL and \$50 for one individual. Carol moved to have the Friends join WLA, seconded by Beckie, and the motion passed. The application is to be completed and given to Gerard.
- E. Announcements and Miscellaneous:
- 1) The final count for attendees at Hale-O-Malo, Hawaiian theme program is 44.
 - 2) Vicki submitted News Brief about used book sales at the library and Lake Mills Market.
 - 3) Ethan Floerke has not yet responded about an author visit at the Middle School.
 - 4) Vicki mentioned Caturday (real cats and cat crafts on Saturday) at Verona Public Library.
- F. Next Board Meeting: May 20, 2019

IV. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned.

Minutes prepared by Beckie Kane

“The purpose of the Friends is to a) provide support services to library staff and Board, b) sponsor programs designed to improve the social, cultural and intellectual life of the community, c) promote the library in all phases of community life.”