

**FRIENDS OF THE L.D. FARGO PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – November 18, 2019**

I—Call to Order

- A. Minutes of September 16, 2019 Board Meeting: Cost of a presentation with Linda Conroy in the spring will be funded by the Friends, not from the library's Round Up funds. Therefore, the minutes were corrected to read: *Cost of the event would be \$300. Beckie approved the funds for Linda Conroy's presentation in the spring, Anne seconded, and the motion passed.* Beckie moved to approve the amended minutes, Anne seconded, motion passed.
- B. Minutes of October 21, 2019 Annual Meeting: Motion to approve by Charlie, seconded by Kathleen, motion passed.
- C. Treasurer's Report: Charlie reported the following balances:
 - Checking - \$4,492.25
 - Outstanding check - \$200.00
 - Market book sale - \$20.53
 - Library book sale - \$22.85
 - Witches' Night Out candy - \$101.70
- D. Library Director's Input: Per email to Vicki, Gerard wanted the Board to be aware of the Library Legislative Day on Feb. 11, 2020. Cost will be \$25/per person for breakfast/coffee.
- E. Library Staff Input: Per email from Marilyn to Vicki, the above correction to FOL Sept. minutes was noted.

II—Old Business

- A. Fall Festival Follow-up: Net income \$157.00. There were many individuals stopping at the FOL booth. The canopy worked out great, no concerns. Next year cookies should be in clear baggies for everyone to see; this will help increase the sale of cookies.
- B. Annual FOL Meeting Follow-up: Everyone agreed it was an enjoyable evening and much appreciation to Kathleen for initiating the annual entertainment from LMHS. FOL was noted as a sponsor for the LMHS drama club in the program for the fall musical, *Urinetown*. Vicki will include the annual report in upcoming renewal letters and will mail or email the annual report to remaining members who did not attend the annual meeting.
- C. Family Trivia Night Follow-up: Fun was had by all with positive feedback from participants. Suggestions from feedback: do not have on a Friday night during football season, increase total team members from 6 to 8, and better advertising (put in paper, flyers around town, flyers in middle & high schools). We would like to have another trivia night in the spring.
- D. Witches' Night Out Follow-up: There were 942 trick-or-treaters! Thanks to the two student volunteers who were a great help to Anne and Beckie. Both students added to the festive night. Much appreciation to Lisa Knothe for her candy donation.
- E. Recognition of Ruth Wollenburg: Will be discussed at the next meeting.

- F. TalkReadPlay Children’s Book Challenge: A check for \$200.00 will be sent to the Lake Mills Elementary School for the TalkReadPlay program that is being implemented in Lake Mills. Money was approved at the November 2018 FOL Board meeting.

III—New Business

- A. Holiday Decorating: Beckie will contact LMHS for student volunteers to set up Christmas tree Dec.2nd and will contact interested members to help with decorating on Dec.3rd. Charlie will talk to Hope regarding roping for the lamp posts. Charlie moved not to exceed \$150.00 for the roping, Beckie seconded, and the motion passed.
- B. Tour of Homes 2019: Tour of Homes will be Dec. 7th 11am-3pm. Vicki will email members requesting volunteers to serve refreshments, sell notecards, and provide information about the library to visitors.
- C. Garden Tour 2020: Date was set for July 11, 2020. Anne volunteered to contact Wendy Butler Berns regarding making/donating a quilt or wall hanging to be raffled off during the garden tour. Details will be discussed at a later meeting.
- D. Sale of FOL Notecards: Vicki dropped off 5 packages of notecards at the Hub; 3 packages have been sold thus far. We will continue to display notecards at the Hub. Vicki also left 5 packages of notecards at Wallflower but has not heard yet from the owner. Anne volunteered to leave notecards at The Corner Mercantile.
- E. Melinda Myers Presentation: The Board discussed hosting a program with Melinda Myers, perhaps co-sponsoring it with other FOL groups in Jefferson County. Beckie will email Melinda, introducing FOL and inquiring about details for a presentation.
- F. Announcements and Miscellaneous: Anne will draft a letter to Bud Skupniewitz about the stained glass window. Anne has recently sent several sympathy and thank you cards.
- G. Next Board Meeting: January 20, 2020.

IV—Adjournment

Minutes prepared by Beckie Kane

After adjournment the Board folded, stuffed, and stamped the annual mailing to recruit corporate Friends for 2020.

“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.”