

FRIENDS OF THE L.D.FARGO PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Minutes for May 17, 2021

I--Call to Order: President Vicki Wickliffe called the meeting to order at 1:45PM. Present were Carol Burrows, Charlie Roy, and Kathleen O'Hearn. Library Director Gerard Saylor was also present. Patty Hoggatt, Anne Werner, and Beckie Kane were absent.

- A. Minutes of the April 19, 2021 Board Meeting-- Vicki moved to approve the minutes, Charlie seconded, motion passed.

- B. Treasurer's Report -- As reported by Charlie
 - Outstanding checks: **\$210** and \$1000
 - Checking account balance: \$6574.16
 - Library book sales: \$31.50
 - Market book sales: \$35.00

- C. Library Director's Input – Gerard said that the craft bags that Brianna and Becca made have been well received. They put together 2065 bags—1576 for kids and 489 for teens. The Story Walk was approved by the Parks Board and will go to the City Council next. A grant was received from the Lake Mills Area Community Foundation for this project. The Summer Reading Program will be virtual. A check to the Friends from Jensen's has been earmarked for the summer program.

Opening of the library went smoothly. There is no mask requirement. The service window will be open for now but will eventually be closed. Residents need to be surveyed regarding building needs and an addition, with a look at strategic planning. Marilyn will be having the Book Club and Tangled Yarns in the park. The children's part of the library will not open until the front desk is opened and the furniture is moved downstairs. The library may re-open fully in August or September. Some wood repair and electrical work needs to be done.

II--Old Business

- A. Scholarship—Kathleen told about this year's recipient, Bronwyn Bond, from Lake Mills High School. She will study English at UW-LaCrosse. Sandy Whisler presented the scholarship and Charlie will mail Bronwyn a check. Then she discussed the draft of the scholarship criteria for library pages. With input from the group the draft will be reworked by Becky and Kathleen and presented at a later meeting. At that time there will be further discussion about the amount for both scholarships.

- B. Reprinting Notecards—We soon will be out of notecards. It was suggested that we check with Jill Kessenich to see if we can use the architect's photo of the library for our notecards. Vicki will check with Leader Printing as to the price for printing them.
- C. 2021 Garden Tour—We will discuss this at a special meeting, 10:00 am, Friday, May 21, at Anne's house.

III--New Business

- A. Publishing Agendas—A member of the Jefferson Friends of the Library contacted Vicki to inquire how far in advance we post the meeting agenda. We decided that it was a good idea to post the agenda in advance and will post it on the library's website and on the bulletin board near the front door when the library desk reopens.
- B. Town and Country Days Parade—The entry fee for the parade is \$30 (free for Chamber members). It was felt that the parade was a worthy event for the community. Instead of sponsoring an entry in the parade, it was decided to donate \$100 to help fund bands and entertainment units. Motion was made by Carol and seconded by Kathleen, motion passed. Vicki said that she would prepare a letter to accompany the check.
- C. Announcement and Miscellaneous—Vicki said that Patty and Mark attended the Chamber of Commerce meet-and-greet event.
- D. Next Board Meeting --June 21, 2021

IV--Adjournment

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Substitute secretary