

FRIENDS OF THE L.D. FARGO PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
May 20, 2024 @ 9am in Library Hall

I – Call to Order: President Vicki Wickliffe called the meeting to order at 9am. Present were Barb Becker, Carol Burrows, Kathleen O'Hearn, Karie Pollard, Anne Werner and Gerard Saylor. Library Board president Shaun Bollig joined as a guest. Beckie Kane, Patty Hoggatt and Beth Naughton were absent.

A. Minutes of Board Meeting April 15, 2024: Karie made a correction to the checking account. The actual ending balance was \$5,204.12. Motion to approve minutes as amended by Kathleen, seconded by Karie, motion passed.

B. Treasurer's Report: Karie reported the following:

Checking account balance:	\$4,937.61
LM Market book sales:	18.50
Library book sales:	71.00
Memberships:	197.00 (in new and renewals)
Cash tips (Culver's):	31.00

C. Library Director's Report: Gerard reported that a draft for “naming rights” donors will be presented at today's Library Board meeting. They will also discuss approval of the contract with Jodi Sweeney. The roof leak has been fixed; two of the a/c units are out; Gerard is looking into a software package for tracking donors, the cost of which varies from \$2,000-\$4,000 and will be taken from the building budget. The library will be closed for a few days for staff meetings and Memorial Day holiday. The microfilm reader broke. The library will be dropping Hoopla and will continue to use Libby. The student Spring Art Show at the library ends today.

II – Old Business

A. FOL Website: Vicki said she noticed that the Corporate Sponsorship brochure says that those sponsorships are valid for 12 months after date of payment, which is incorrect. Sponsorships are calendar year. Anne will address this with Beckie.

B. Culver's Fundraiser: Vicki said if we do this again, we need to stagger volunteer times. The 4 to 5pm hour was slow. She said Jane Riedl suggested putting out a tip jar as the FFA did. Jane also suggested a “flag” by the drive-thru. We should consider doing this fundraiser again in October.

(Vicki reported via email later today that the Culver's total for the FOL fundraiser is \$358. We received \$31 in tips; and Vicki received a donation via check for \$25, bringing the total made for the event to \$414.)

C. FOL Scholarship: Kathleen reported that she received 15 applications. The scholarship was awarded to Carliann Hepp from Lake Mills High School. Kathleen read Carliann's essay. She will begin her studies at Madison College and transfer to UW Madison for elementary education. Kathleen was not able to attend the award ceremony; the scholarship was presented by the guidance counselor who read Kathleen's prepared statement.

Discussion was had regarding inclusion of home-schooled kids. Kathleen would like to keep using the existing application which requires a teacher statement and a GPA. She is not sure how these requirements would be met.

III – New Business

A. Request Funds for Read, Rhythm & Rhyme: The request is for \$390 (6 classes @ \$65 each). Motion to approve by Anne, seconded by Kathleen, motion passed.

B. Report from 4/14 Library Board Meeting: Anne said she told the board about the upcoming Culver's fundraiser. There was discussion about the “naming rights” (see Gerard's report above); then the board went into a private session.

IV - Announcements and Miscellaneous: Vicki brought the original and enlarged print ad from the Leader for Volunteer Week so we could see the difference. She will give the two as to Beckie. We received a thank you from Legendary for our \$150 planter program donation. Vicki emailed the agenda directly to Library Board members and will continue to do so.

V. Next meeting date June 17, 2024 @ 9am

VI. Meeting adjourned at 10:10am

Minutes prepared by Anne Werner