

AUGUST 20, 2019 -- MINUTES, FRIENDS OF THE FOX RIVER VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

The August 20, 2019 meeting of the Friends of the Library was called to order by President Linda Ptack at 7:00 pm in the FOL meeting space. Present were: Belindia Elliott, Mary Piper, Lynn Robertson, Steve Robertson, Kyle Tarrant, Eleanor Mamayek, Linda Ptack, Diane Campbell, Carol Prang, Kathie Tennis, Bonnie Kalaway, Kirstin Finneran.

Minutes of the July meeting were presented; Kathie moved to accept the minutes, second by Bonnie, motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Balance July 2, 2019 = \$19,021.60. Expenses: \$43.98. Outstanding deposits: \$543.75. Outstanding Checks: \$500.00. Balance in checkbook :\$19,021.37. Belindia moved to accept the report; second by Carol. Motion carried

Kirstin: Library liaison: In the fall, the Dundee and Randall Oaks branches will have self-service kiosks where patrons can make secure credit or debit card payments for fines, fees, printing services as well as purchases of CDs/DVDs, thumb drives, earbuds.

A survey asking patrons for feedback on the future of the library is online. There are four options as well as an interactive map where residents can indicate where they would like to see a library located. The online version will be available until September 15 and also available at Heritage Fest, September 13 and 14 at the Library's "tent". Results will be discussed at the September 17 Library Board of Trustees meeting.

The Dundee branch will have free after school snacks for all kids 18 and under every Monday afternoon from 3:30 – 4:30, starting September 9. Snacks are provided by the Child Adult Care Food Program, federally funded by the USDA, operated by the Illinois State Board of Education in conjunction with the Northern Illinois Food Bank – same operation as the free summer lunch program.

The Fall Newsletter is at the printers.

Book Storage/sales. FOL will be limited to 100 boxes of books, stacked no higher than 5 feet in the sorting space. As there were 80 boxes of CD's/DVDs, Belindia took them home and sorted them. We will have to bring them all back to the library on Friday, September 13 to set up for the sale on September 14. Help will be needed to do so. The sale will be for CDs and DVDs only, from 9 am – 2 pm.

For the October sale, we will not be able to use the hallway for the children's books as in the past; therefore, we will have to put all the books in the meeting room. At this point, we have approximately 150 boxes of books in the sorting room, along with the two bins into which we put any items we are not able to sell. Prior to the October sale set up, we need to count the number of boxes and track how many are left at the end of the sale. Discussion revolved around timing for the sale, bag sale process and what our next steps will be. Belindia suggested having a children's book sale sometime between October and spring. We will not have a donation day, as we have more books than we are allowed. We need to reduce the number of books to be in compliance with the library/insurance guidelines. Concern was that with a limited number of books to sell, our margin of profit will be sharply reduced, and those who have attended the book sales may be disappointed at the selections.

Other fund raisers need to be considered. Kyle till contact 5Below to see if they will participate in a fundraiser, giving the FOL a portion of sales on a particular day/time. Panera participated last year in such a fundraiser, which netted FOL approximately \$160.

Basket Donation: Diane has donated baskets to the Lakewood School "back to school" event. Baskets included books, toys, games and some coupons. There were baskets for children and also for teachers.

Baskets will be assembled for Dr. Neu's charity event on September 21. Diane will ask for help in assembling those baskets.

By-Law revision put on hold until after the October book sale.

Diane moved to **adjourn**, second by Kathie, adjourn at 7:55 pm.

Bonnie Kalaway, Secretary pro-tem.