FRIENDS OF FOX RIVER VALLEY MINUTES November 19, 2019

The November 19, 2019 meeting of the Friends of the Library was called to order at 7:02 pm by President Linda Ptack in the FOL meeting room at the library.

Roll Call: Linda Ptack, Bonnie Kalaway, Kathy Ross, Belindia Elliott, Carol Prang, Mary Piper, Eleanor Mamayek, Diane Campbell, Karen Cremerius, Kathie Tennis, Kyle Tarrant, Kirstin Finneran. Guest Monica Boyer from the Library staff.

Minutes: Minutes of the October meeting were presented. Mary P. moved to approve the minutes, second by Kathy R.; motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Kyle: Balance 10/15/2019 = \$19,579.62. Income = \$2,666.69; Expenses = \$399.87. Net Balance ending 11/19/2019 = \$21,846.44. Belindia moved to accept the report; second by Carol; motion carried.

Library Liaison: Kirstin reported that the Winter Reading Challenge is back by popular demand. The program will run from December 1st through February 1st. Patrons can visit any service desk to receive an activity card; there are many challenges to choose from. This year, all finishers will receive a limited edition 2020 FRVPLD Winter Reading Challenge T-shirt. Diane will be coordinating book baskets to be donated by the FOL for the Winter Reading program.

Beginning mid-January 2020, expanded Notary services will be available at both the Dundee and Randall Oaks libraries to include evening and weekend hours. Currently, Notary service is available only Monday through Thursday from 9am-4pm, Friday from 9-noon. There is no fee charged for this service and walk ins are accepted, but it is best to call ahead.

Guest Monica Boyer from the Youth Services Department stopped by to say thank you for the funds to continue the second-grade student visits. She reported that the Department had over 1,000 visitors – 950 kids, teachers and aides from 12 area schools in the Library service district over a two-month period. The kids obtained library cards while at the Library.

Book Bag Sale: The November Bag Sale saw a total of 56 bags of books sold. Kyle took the majority of the unsold books for his new venture, and the remainder were discarded.

The Kids Book Sale is scheduled for Saturday, December 7th from 9am-2 pm. Set up will be at 11am on Friday, December 6th.

The Spring All Genre book sale is scheduled for March 26-28. Signup sheet for setup, work schedule, and tear down will be circulated closer to the date.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Fund Raising: Kyle reported that in order to simplify the fundraising process during the week starting with Black Friday, brochures will be provided to the store Five Below. Future fundraising opportunities include

restaurant chains, Jewel-Osco and gymnastic locations. It was suggested that FOL members each sign up to take a month and be responsible for a fundraising opportunity.

Kirsten offered to check if the Library would allow FOL book baskets for various events, i.e., Mother's Day, Library Week, etc.

Miscellaneous: The FOL Christmas Party was moved to TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17TH at 6pm (due to a number of members who could not make the original December 10th date). Please bring a dish to share for the potluck, and a gift for the White Elephant gift exchange (if you choose to participate).

Adjourn: Diane C. moved to adjourn, second by Bonnie; adjourned at 7:56pm.

Kathy Ross, Secretary