

FRIENDS OF THE FOX RIVER VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT.
MEETING March 15, 2016

President Mary Todd called the meeting of the Friends of the FRVPLD to order at 7:05 on March 15, 2016 at the library. Present were: Belindia Elliott, Kathie Tennis, Mary Piper, Linda Ptack, Mary Todd, Maria Cataldo and Kirstin Finneran.

Minutes of the February 2016 minutes were presented.

Changes/comments: None

Belindia Elliott made a motion to accept the minutes without changes and Kathie Tennis seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous to accept. Minutes will be filed.

Treasurer's report for March: none (Angelique Draftz absent)

President's report: Mary Todd

Library Report: Kirstin Finneran

- Staff Update. Pam Dean was recently hired and has started working as a shelver at the Dundee Library.
- ABCmouse. We now have access to ABCmouse.com, a comprehensive early learning site for children ages 2 through 6+ covering reading and language arts, math, science, social studies, art and music. It is only available *in the library*. There is a link on our website's Research page and also a desktop shortcut to it on all children's computers.
- Library Closings. The Libraries will open at noon on Friday, March 18 for staff training.
- 140 Anniversary Program. I have seen what Phil Aleo is working on for his presentation about our 140th Anniversary. It is fascinating, and full of historic photos and news clippings. He has really put a lot of work into this presentation. It will be held on Monday, April 11 at 7 p.m. in the Meeting Room. The Anvil Club will be providing complimentary "mocktails." The Dundee Township Historical Society is developing an exhibit about the library featuring photos and other printed memorabilia. Phil Aleo and I are meeting with Nancy Wendt next week to check it out.
- St. Patrick's Day Parade. Once again we had a great time at the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in East Dundee. The book cart drill team once again wowed the crowd. It is a great opportunity to make contact with the community.
- Our Future. Right now the Board of Trustees is voting on an ordinance to authorize the purchase of an eleven-acre parcel of land directly across the street from the Randall Oaks Recreation Center for approximately \$1.7 million. The ordinance also approves payment for the property from either reserves or from the sale of bonds. This is the

first step in a process leading to a public hearing on June 21, 2016 at 7 p.m. at the Dundee Library, and a six-month period of due diligence. During this time, the board will conduct soil studies and hold additional public meetings.

Program Committee: No report. (Darlene Straka absent.)

Book Donation Day: Belindia Elliott and Mary Piper

Need more book sorters for all of the donations. 48 drop offs. Linda asked about the commitment of sorting. Belindia suggested she work with another sorter to learn the system. You just come whenever is convenient to you or make plans with another Friend.

Book Sale: Belindia Elloitt

Anne Nickerson will supervise set up on Wednesday. Jacobs High School says they will send 10 kids each night. Belindia requested the form they have to fill out and Mary Todd will get it to her. We have seven adults for set up on Wednesday. Brian Wing from library will supervise table set up. Mary Todd asked if we will be able to set everything out. Belindia said there are a lot of cookbooks and not all of those will be able to be put out. They received a lot of travel books and audio visual items from the book donation drop off. Sunday clean-up is 2 to 5 p.m. Nonprofits can come at 1 p.m. to pack up their own books from the ones left over. Belindia will look into the scanner for the next sale. Mary asked Kirstin to please send book sale signs to Randall Oaks Library.

Culvers: Kathie Tennis

No news to report.

New membership: Kirstin offered to get in touch with East Dundee to see if they would let us put up a tent and make an appearance at one of their ongoing summer activities.

Old Business:

- Now recognized as not for profit in the state of Illinois. They have cashed the check.
- United for Libraries ; do we want to do this again? Subscription is \$50. Includes magazine. Will revisit this topic at a later date
- Received thanks from VFW for donations to their veteran baby shower.

The meeting was adjourned by Mary Todd at 7:50 p.m. The next meeting will be held on 4/19 at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kirstin Finneran (Filling in for Mary Maloy, Secretary)