

Friends of Osceola Public Library November 26, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Miriam Flysjo.

Present: Cheryl Beardslee, Kathie Nelson, Miriam, Sherry Hanson, Barb Wetzel

Minutes: Motion to approve Sherry/Kathie.

Treasurer's report: Amazon Smile gift is quarterly. Book sale donations double previous month; Books & Biscotti donations generous. Approve: Miriam/Sherry

Director's Report: Back to work went well; reorganized some areas. 29 new patrons, Above average participation in book discussions; Mr. Licky ill. Circulation counts.

Motion to Sherry/Cheryl to approve support for Adult Winter Reading Program request presented by Anne Miller for \$700, which will include a puzzle contest.

Library Board meeting report:* Barb asked if either the library or village board planned to place a blue universal directional sign to the library on Hwy 35. Jeromy Buberl said WI DOT has multiple rules about signage. Barb pointed out the chamber's directional signs on 35, none of which direct people to the library. *Barb asked about Friends' minutes on OPL website, which are seriously out of date; she said she was embarrassed for Friends that we had not made a point of updating those before; most recent are 2016. Shelby said she wasn't aware our minutes are posted there and she will look into the matter. *Shelby announced that Sherry Hanson gave her a check for Pioneer Press subscription; newspaper is read heavily and people often wait their turn to read the paper. *Board gave thoughtful consideration to Shelby's multiple scenarios to increase employee wages, ranging from 3% for all, to .25-.75 increase for each category. Goal is to have all wage staff @ \$15/hr by 2025, to retain staff & to be commensurate with village staff.

Miriam will attend the December 8 meeting; Cheryl will attend January 12 meeting.

Book Sale

Sorting/Set-up—Sorting: Tues Cheryl & Kathie; & Wed. Miriam, Quinn.

Friday, Dec. 2 3p.m. Sherry, Miriam, Kathie, Ella, Barb

December 3 book sale work schedule

First shift 9:30- 12:00 **Leader-** Miriam **Volunteers-** Elaine K-T, Quinn

Second shift 12:00 to 3:00 **Leader-** Kathie **Volunteers:** Nancy J, Elaine K-T

After discussing take-down time, Motion by Miriam/Kathie to change shifts to 9:30-12:30, 12:30-3:30. Leader needs to direct others regarding take-down jobs.

Also discussed necessity of having 3 people per shift, it was agreed that yes, we do. It's especially important when we start to take down sale, packing boxes, etc.

Dec. Deal of month to be determined after new donations are sorted.

Selling puzzles at the book sale—Starting now; email to members; Sherry & Barb will stop in periodically to retrieve donations from Anne's work area. Kathie will make a flyer for library display, Sherry will submit notice to Sun. We'll start selling jigsaw puzzles in January for \$2.

Books and Biscotti- We need to have baggies on hand for remaining cookies. We'll all start looking for possible authors for 2023. Cheryl suggested a children's author.

Archiving Friends records—After much discussion, it was decided that because we're incorporated, archiving our minutes is important. We decided that instead of a paper archive, we will store minutes, treasurer's report, membership, giveBig on thumb drive; membership list can also be saved in our gmail account. We will continue to send Shelby our minutes so she can post on Friends' page of OPL's website.

Membership: Since Elaine is a new member, she will receive minutes (in response to her inquiry).

Field trip to Friends room to pick out a book for Have You Read This? –Is this worthwhile? Kathie opined that it adds fun to sale.

Next meeting: Should be Dec. 24, but no meeting “unless something important comes up.”

Deal for January decided asap so it can get in Sun.

Adjourned at 11:37 on motion by Kathie
Submitted by Barb Wetzel, secretary