

Friends of Osceola Library
Minutes of Meeting March 2023

In Attendance: Sherry Hansen, Carole Nienaber, Marian Quinn, Kathie Nelson, Cheryl Beardslee, Miriam Flysjo, Shelby Friendshuh.

Meeting opened by Miriam at 10:31 am March 25, 2023

Director's report presented by Shelby:

Annual report completed. The Accessibility Grant has been submitted. Shelby is working with IFLS to learn acquisition techniques and discuss different models within our system. Programs have been very well attended including many new faces. The puzzle contest was great success.

A microfilm reader and printer were donated. There was a previous donation made to acquire a microfilm reader. The Library Board is planning to reach out to that donor to see if they will agree that previous donation can be given to the historical society.

The Friends have been sponsoring the library for patron fees and will continue to provide them. The Pioneer Press subscription has gone up significantly. There was discussion about options regarding covering the increase. Shelby got in on a discounted price offered online and will wait and see if her action was successful.

Shelby presented a request for funds from Anne to provide Book Discussion Kits. The request is for \$482.78. Sherry moved and Carole seconded a motion to approve the funds. Motion passed unanimously.

Shelby also discussed the prospect of an upgrade to the library's self-check machine. It may be a future request from the Friends.

Shelby is working on new meeting room policy. The old one is too complicated. The library now facilitates all meeting room requests.

Approval of February meeting minutes and Treasurers report. Moved by Sherry and seconded by Carole to approve the February minutes with a correction for the Arpril Book Sale. Cheryl will work the morning shift in place of Sherry. Passed unanimously.

Sherry moved and Carole seconded approval of February Treasurer's report as written. Motion passed unanimously.

Library Board Meeting:

Attended by Quinn. See Shelby's report. Quinn reported to the board on our puzzle sales.

Carole will attend the April meeting. Miriam will attend the May meeting.

Book Sale:

April book sale set up will be March 31 at 3pm. Deal of the month will be Home and Garden. Friends will need to decide Deal of the month for May.

Quinn presented a quote from Virginia Wolfe about used books that Quinn and Kathie will put on a poster for the Friends Room.

giveBIG:

Cheryl confirmed that FNCB of New Richmond is funding a \$1500 match for giveBIG again this year. The date for giveBIG is April 25th. Kathie and Cheryl have been working on the Spring Newsletter and it is nearly completed. It will be sent the 2nd week in April. A draft of the Newsletter was circulated in the group. The major correction is that June's book sale will not be the first Saturday but will coincide with

Rhubarb Fest which is scheduled to be on June 10th this year. Quinn will forward current Friend's Membership list to Cheryl.

Books and Biscotti:

Miriam reported on her contacts with the authors that were suggested. See February minutes. After discussion the group chose Marcie Rendon. Sherry moved and Carole seconded a motion to engage Marcie Rendon as this year's author for Books and Biscotti. Motion passed unanimously. Marcie Rendon told Miriam that she is available October 14 and October 21. If she is still available for October 21 that will be the date for Books and Biscotti.

Meeting adjourned, motion by Quinn.

Meeting adjourned 11:40 am.

Field trip to sale room for Friends to select books to recommend.