

Friends of the Osceola Public Library  
Saturday, February 28, 2026

Miriam called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Present: Miriam, Janet, Sherry, Cheryl, Kathie, Quinn, and Anne

**Approval of Agenda:** Janet approved, Sherry seconded. Unanimously approved.

**Director's Report:** Anne attended Wild Wisconsin Winter Web conference via Zoom for 2 days seeing various presentations related to library programs, community support, collections, etc. She also spent time working on Annual report for Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction. Circulation was down for the month of January. New items added to collections are from year-end order from Ingram. She continues to work with IFLS setting up EDI ordering with Ingram. Ongoing library programs were held in January and books were delivered to Evergreen and Millside apartments and Christian Community Home. New Craft Supply Swap was a great success, and leftovers donated to Hallberg Center in Wyoming, MN. Library is adjusting to new Evergreen phone service.

Cheryl attended board meeting but had nothing to add. Sherry will attend March 12 meeting.

**Approval of January minutes:** One correction-The Friends will pay up to \$500 for MN patrons library fees for the year, not the first quarter of 2026. Sherry moved to approve the minutes and Cheryl seconded. Unanimously approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** A generous donation from Kerry F. and Michael L. was made to Friends for which Quinn will send a thank you. Cheryl moved, and Kathie seconded a motion that Sherry be reimbursed for \$151 that she paid for new author event signs. Kathie announced an FYI that our bank will now be called Nicolet One. Sherry moved that the report be approved and Cheryl seconded. Approved unanimously.

**Sign up for March 7 book sale:** Friday set-up will be done by Miriam, Janet, Steve, Sherry, and John.

First shift 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Cheryl, Barb, Elaine

Second shift 12:30p.m.-3:30 p.m. Janet, Sherry, Quinn

Fill-a-bag will include all digital along with usual books; Biographies/Memoirs 3/\$1.

Miriam will add Colleen to the Sign-Up Genius list.

**Managing books for sale:** A new cart will be purchased, motion by Sherry, seconded by Kathie. Unanimously approved. Cart will be purchased through the library. Quinn has researched Redeemed Books, and recommends that we try them. We will box up books and digital materials that we don't want and Quinn will contact them for pickup. We must also remember that we can donate certain books to Books for Africa.

**League of Women Voters County Supervisor candidates, Meet and Greet:** Monday, March 9, 5:30 p.m., the library is cosponsoring this event in the main floor conference room opposite the library. Want volunteers to help explain to candidates what the library does. Janet, Miriam, Kathie will bring cookies. Want to help? Be there at 4:30.

**Books and Biscotti 2026:** Cheryl reports that Allen Eskens is booked for October 17, 2026! His fee is \$750. We need to check with him re: mileage cost.

**GiveBig:** Cheryl reports all documents are on the hard drive, more work in progress. She is taking suggestions for the newsletter that she sends out.

**Update on reusable bags:** no update, ask Dee if she has any information.

**Facebook Friends group:** Feedback on Redeemed books was that one group had used them and had positive experience. Quinn shared with person from Bloomer when they asked about record-keeping and methods for donating funds to the library. She got help from Kathie, our treasurer.

**QR code to link to library website:** Can be set up to use, i.e at our book sales, but Venmo would be means to make a payment for membership. Venmo would charge us a usage fee because we would be seen as business.

**Archives:** no new information

**Membership:** no updates

**Biscotti tongs:** Cheryl will purchase them at Restaurant Supply.

**New business:** Since there is an author (Inga Orth) event at library on March 28, should we change our meeting date for that month? Sherry motioned and Janet seconded that we move the meeting date to 10:30 a.m. March 21. Unanimously approved.

**11:30 a.m.** Sherry motioned that meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Marian Quinn