

Minutes of Meeting of Friends of North Plains Public Library North Plains Library April 14, 2014

Officers Present: Carolyn Leavitt, Treasurer;

Members at Large Present: Mark Susbauer, Lynda Jones, Sheila Nelson,

Chris Lantz

Absent: Patti Tyson, Margaret Reh, Marrina Abeln

Others Present: Norma Tucker, Roni Andrews, Kate Ryan

Friends Meeting called to order by Carolyn Leavitt at 7:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Norma Tucker made a motion; Sheila Nelson seconded the motion to approve the March 2014 minutes. The minutes of the meeting were unanimously approved.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR REPORT: Sheila Nelson

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LIBRARY BOARD REPORT: Mark Susbauer

Mark reported that the Library Board has cancelled the April and May meetings while Debbie Brodie is on sick leave. They will be visiting other county Library Board meetings to gather information about Library Board operations within the county. Due to some complaints about our current art display, they are developing an Art Exhibit Policy and a Complaint Form for future use.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer: Carolyn Leavitt

Checking Account \$3,340.76 Money Market \$25,422.46 Total Assets \$28,763.22

Membership: Roni Andrews

Roni has received the membership information and will take over the position of Membership Secretary.

Online Book Sales: Chris Lantz

Current ONLINE book sales are \$959.16 to date. Chris is working on determining the profit per volunteer hour data. More volunteers are still needed to assist with shipping of "sold" books.

NEW BUSINESS:

Book Bags – Kate Ryan presented her ideas for making book bags to sell as a fundraiser for the Friends. We decided to look into the idea further next month after gathering information regarding our past book bag sales.

Planning of June 9 membership meeting to discuss Library ownership –

The Ground Lease was read regarding our 10 yr. land lease and library ownership. There is a 6 month written notice clause if an extension is sought. We have missed that deadline. Sheila Nelson will set up a meeting with Martha Debry along with Carolyn Leavitt and Margaret Reh to discuss this issue. Tentative plans were made to hold a general membership meeting on June 9th to discuss the pros and cons, and have a ballot box for membership to vote on the question. Refreshments will be served of decaf coffee, punch, and a half sheet cake. Carolyn and Sheila will make an invitation to be sent to all Friends members, City Councilors, Mayor, City Manager and Library Board. A table will be set up by Roni Andrews for Membership at the meeting and also for our ONLINE book sales committee. More plans will be finalized at next month's Friends meeting.

Donation to NPPL/Adult summer Reading Program for prizes -

A request was presented by the library staff for \$150 to be used for North Plains Adult Summer Reading prizes.

A motion was made by Lynda Jones and seconded by Chris Lantz that the Friends give the NP Library \$150 to fund the purchase of prizes for North Plains Adult Summer Reading. The motion passed unanimously.

Recommendation of Slate of Officers for 2014/2015 -

Carolyn Leavitt – President
Norma Tucker – Treasurer
Marrina Abeln - Secretary
Roni Andrews – Membership Secretary
Chris Lantz – Member-at-large
Lynda Jones - Member-at-large
Sheila Nelson - Member-at-large
Mark Susbauer - Member-at-large

We still need a VP candidate and it was hoped that Margaret Reh would fill that position. It was also recommended that we solicit other Friends members to join the Board. The slate will be voted on at our June 9th general membership meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Discussion of Author Lecture Program –

More information is needed regarding lecture fees and grant applications for this program. It will be discussed further during our next year.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: Monday, 5/12/2014 at 7:30 p.m. at the North Plains Public Library

Director's Report for Friends' Meeting April 14 – May 12, 2014

Storytimes. Children ages 0-6 are invited to participate every Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. in the children's section of the Library.

- April 16 Special Guest Storytime: Nicki's Tarantula "Walkity" and Spider Stories
- April 23 Storytime with Youth Librarian Jackie: Ducks
- April 30 Storytime with Youth Librarian Jackie: Pigs
- May 7 Storytime with Miss Marion: Mothers

Artwork on Exhibit. Local high school student, Dylan King, will show his original drawings, cartoons, and caricatures through **April**. In **May and June**, Westside Quilters Guild members will show a variety of quilts with patriotic themes in celebration of Independence Day.

Quilt Display. The **April** quilt on display above the circulation desk is entitled "Spring" by Paula DiNovo. The **May** quilt will feature a 4th of July theme to complement the exhibit that will show concurrently in the program/computer room.

Library Book Club. Sweet Thunder by Ivan Doig will be discussed on Wednesday, April 30 beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Library. In the winter of 1920, Morrie Morgan finds himself back in Butte, Montana, with his bride, Grace. A mansion left to him by a former boss turns out to be a money pit, and the miners in town are struggling with the ruthless Anaconda Copper Mining Company. These two dilemmas launch Morrie into his new career with the fledgling *Thunder* newspaper where he enlists his encyclopedic knowledge to write hilariously scathing editorials against Anaconda. New members are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

Writers' Group. Share your writing projects and receive feedback from peers on **Thursday**, **May 1** at 6:30 p.m. New members are welcome to join. (This is not a teacher/trainer-led class.)

First Friday Flick. Join us at the Library on **May 2** at 6 p.m. to watch, a PG animated Disney adventure comedy. A fearless heroine teams up with a snowman and a hero to find her sister whose icy powers have trapped the kingdom in eternal winter. Seating is limited. Refreshments will be served.

National Free Comic Book Day. Come to the Library during open hours, 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on **Saturday, May 3**. Thanks to Diamond Comic Distributors, there will be 100 Free Comic Books to distribute to children while supplies last.

Super Saturday – Portland Ballet Theater. K-6th graders will enjoy this free miniperformance and sample ballet lessons from dancers in the ballet troupe beginning at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, **May 10.**

Friends of the Library Meeting. There will be a regular meeting of the Friends on Monday, May 12 at the Library from 7:30-9 p.m. New members are welcome to attend.