

Minutes

Friends of Osceola Public Library

5/13/15

Present: Barb Wetzel, Rebekah Palmer, Mary Clare Huberty, Sherry Hanson, Joel West, Kathie Nelson, KellyMcBride, Marian Quinn, Mary Roberts, Jolene Pederson, Mariette _ ; guests: Diane Moser, Joel West, Stephen Bjork.

Treasurer's report: No significant changes were reported. We haven't received the giveBig funds from Razoo yet. Motions by Sherry/Quinn to accept the treasurer's report and by Quinn/Kathie to accept minutes were passed.

MPLF: Diane Moser reported that things are happening. Several requests for funds have been submitted, now they are just waiting for acceptances. Members are making many personal calls to key stakeholders and key people in the community. Diane is calling on Friends and reaching each one of us in some fashion. She suggested that Friends donors could be represented collectively by individuals' gifts being pooled for a specific purpose. Diane will continue up-dating us.

OPL Finances: Joel West talked about the next phase of the village hall/police dept./library. An architect is currently revising the plans. Next, they will request bids for a general contractor. They are looking to start building in April 2016. The village hall may relocate before winter to lower level of RCU. Some trees may be removed and the parking lot put in. Stephen Bjork explained that the library board is planning the budget for the new facility, a materials and staffing budget. They are looking at ways to spend more money this year so they will receive more money in the following years from act 150 and the village. They are asking anyway Friends can help reach this goal.

OPL news and needs: Kelly stated that Rhubarb Days planning is all set. Sat. June 6 is the kickoff of the superhero themed summer reading program. All activities at Millpond that day will be for kids. A goodie bag(items in bag donated by local businesses), and a tshirt will be given free to first 100 who register. Activities include a bounce house, an obstacle course by Wild River Fitness, Magic Norm at noon, Elvis at 2:00, and the duck race at 4:00. The craft fair on Sunday is joint effort by OPL & OMS. Christine Elmquist will be running the bake sale, Ellen the adult summer reading program. Lisa and Cole will design a poster for shared programs by all three libraries (SCF, Dresser, OPL). A motion by Sherry/Rebekah was passed to give \$100 for gift certificates as prizes for the adult summer reading program. MPLF needs more volunteers for summer events; please contact Kelly if you can help.

Book sale: Barb will find out on Friday 15 if we can have the book sale in the RCU parking lot; alternate spot will be on the pavement between the library and Millpond. Still looking for additional volunteers for the book sale. You can sign up at www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0549ACAA28A13rhubarb/3578363 . The OPL website also has a link. Patrons can work off fines with volunteer time. Barb is contacting the schools for help. Stephen Bjork will provide Muscle Milk to athlete crew for moving inventory. Meeting adjourned 6:43 p.m.

Next meeting Wed., June 10, 5:30 (there will be no meeting in July)