

Friends of the Osceola Public Library
9/14/16

Present: Mary Clare Huberty, Sherry Hanson, Diane Moser, Joleen Pederson, Cheryl Beardslee, Carole Nienaber, Marian Quinn, MARY Roberts

Meeting called to order at 5:35 p.m.

A motion to pass treasurer's report and minutes by Mary Clare/Diane was approved.

Library hosted 15 programs in the month of August with 277 attendees.

Debrief Wheels and Wings book sale: The book sale raised \$1463.80 this year. Could not get enough volunteers for this year's sale. Although, a big thank you to the people who did help including some members of Friends, Evan Wright and friend, and some members of the community. Thoughts of reducing book sales to one per year was discussed. Although, only half the amount of money would be raised then. Thoughts to counter that were to request Friends members donate a larger amount of money per year, an example would be \$100/year instead of the \$30 currently being contributed for membership. It was then discussed that the public likes both book sales. Thoughts to hand out a survey at the next sale to see if we can generate volunteers from the community was discussed. Also asking the public which sale they prefer attending. Other ideas were to ask the Lions for help hauling books in and out of RCU, or possibly help from a youth group with adult supervision. This discussion was tabled for now and will be discussed more thoroughly at the November meeting. Friends were unable to find one of the sandwich boards. The boards are also in need of repair. It was discussed that Friends could talk to high school woodworking class or the boy scouts to see if they would be willing to do a community project and make new boards.

Author event planning: Sara DeLuca, Sat., Nov. 5 from 1-3 p.m., books and biscotti theme. Volunteers needed to help day of the event. Carole can tentatively help with the event. She will also bake an item. Cheryl will provide the biscotti, Mary Clare will provide short bread and Diane will do the publicity. Snack items can be delivered before the event.

Discovery Center: Nothing new to report since the last meeting. Diane reported last month's event in the park featuring Fon-Du-Lac library director was a success. Attendance was good, with about one third of attendees new people. Monetary

donations were discussed there but also getting people talking about the discovery center was also emphasized.

All the food/drink establishments that were approached about the event donated, showing positive downtown support.

Give Big: First leadership meeting is in about a week. Sherry will have more info after that. Diane will continue to work on Give Big again. Will still need someone to volunteer to work with the database and help with the social media.

Future planning: Light up Osceola funds were approved last month. Cheryl will go to Neumann's farm for fall decorations for the front of the library.

Mary Clare/Sherry moved to adjourn meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Next meeting Oct. 12 at 5:30 p.m.