

Friends of the Spirit lake Library

Nov. 17, 2015

Present: Cindy Davis, Jean Martin, Dori Lippon, Judy Weipert, Sandi Ladegaard, Donna Henrich, Jim Hitchcock, Leah Streeter, Jan McDonald, and Nadine Hough. New members to the Friends of the Library Board were introduced and welcomed: Karen Eichner and Beth Toliver

The meeting was called to order by Pres. Martin at 12:00 noon. The minutes of the previous meeting were read. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Hitchcock, seconded by Ladegaard, approved.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed as presented to the city as the annual report for 2015. The balance as of 6/30/2015 was \$109,582.16. The format as presented will be used as the annual report; other reports to the Board will be as a spreadsheet. A motion to receive the financial reports in this manner was made by Hough, seconded by Streeter, approved. A motion to accept the report as presented was made by Lippon, seconded by Weipert, Approved. A letter has been received from the Sunrise Kiwanis that this group will be dissolving. A check for \$500 was given to the Library for use in the children's area. The Board was very appreciative of this donation.

New Officers: Lippon will be assuming the position as Chairman, effective immediately. Ladegaard will assume the office of Vice Chairman, Stevenson will remain Treasurer, and Hough will remain as Secretary. Terms for the following members are due for renewal: Judy Weipert, Sandra Ladegaard, and Donna Henrich. They have agreed to another term of 3 years.

Report by Davis:

- The Book Club will be meeting monthly year around, normally on the last Weds. Of the month @ 10:30.
- There will be more programing with Okoboji and Milford libraries.
- The new catalogue system is up and running. Bridges is also operating.
- The new cupboards have been ordered for the community room, delivery expected in February.
- Killsholm tape is to be transferred by Business Today. It will be available for viewing.
- A camera has been requested, more research will be done
- A new salt water aquarium has been donated to Library by Dr. Taito, an oral surgeon, Lakes Endodontics. Dr. Taito will continue to supply and maintain it.
- Membership letter will be sent soon. Staff will be reviewing the ability to send electronically.
- Request to purchase a 70" Smart TV. These are internet capable, can be used with Netflix, Facebook, or other Apps. The Library tech. Chris Williams, explained the potential of the Smart

TV. Cost estimates were provided for review, Business Today will install for approximately \$100-\$200. A motion was made by Weipert, seconded by Marten to allow up to \$2000 for the purchase. Approved.

- Davis would like to have the cupboards from her office moved into the staff room, have counters installed and purchase file cabinets on wheels. Davis reported that approximately 2000 used books are received monthly. These must be sorted and many are sent to Better World Books.com. for resale. Many are sold within the Library. A portion of the proceeds are returned to the SL Library. A quote for the counter top and new shelving for Davis' office will be requested for Board review.
- Planning for Ellen Williams's retirement party in February. Lippon volunteered to help with the planning. Streeter volunteered to head up food committee. Toliver will contact the elementary and preschool teachers so that they may plan to have the children involved in the party.
- Request to purchase Mango Languages. Following discussion, a motion to purchase a one year subscription for \$1040 by Ladegaard, seconded by Hough. Approved.
- Zinio. There is a possibility that the cost of Zinio may be lowered and additional magazines may be available.
- Library Webpage: Would like to include minutes, Agenda, membership and pictures. Will be working on it.
- The automated counter has shown that more people are coming through the door than previously realized when counting was done manually. The count increased from 30,000 to 50,000 annually.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting will be March 22, 2016

Respectfully submitted,

Nadine Hough

Secretary