

FRIENDS OF THE MONONA PUBLIC LIBRARY MEETING
10/17/16
Board Room, Monona Public Library

Present: Ann Bowles, Sally Buffat, Anne Doran, Kay Gage, Leslie Johnson, Abbie Loomis, Mary O'Connor, Jennifer Weinberger, Lynda Weinberger, Sue Carr, Toni Streckert, Penny DePaola, Karen Wendt.

1. Opening of Meeting: Kay called the meeting to order at 6:00
2. Approval of minutes of September 2016 meeting. A motion by Abbie seconded by Leslie to approve the minutes of the September 2016 meeting was approved unanimously.
3. Treasurer's Report: Leslie had sent the report earlier in the week. She reports that \$150 needed to be moved from B&B sale to Membership. So new totals are: Membership \$752.00 and B&B Sale total is 3104.00
4. Membership Report: Ann reported that since September meeting we have 18 new members. Total Membership is now 183 (November 2015=156)
5. Fundraising Committee Report:
 - a. Our Yearly Friends event at the Library- Saturday, January 28th. It is a Mardi Gras theme. Mark those calendars. Board members were asked to sign up for a shift to work, and it was explained that all Friends board members would be given a small packet of tickets to sell. Tickets go on sale December 1.
6. Director report: (Given by Sally)
 - a. All is well in the library since Erick's departure.
 - b. Thanks for last year's money- gave an account of how it was spent—and each one was a bit over, but that was covered by donations.
 - c. LB Has approved parking lot survey to move forward.
 - d. Discussion of the budget year of the Friends (May-April) and the budget year of the library (Calendar). Was decided that it was okay to leave as is.
 - e. Library Board has changed the city budget to reflect a city contribution of \$5000 in programming money as opposed to the regular \$2000.
7. Karen Wendt- Youth Services Coordinator- Ask for 2017 Funds. See attached. Gave a lovely presentation about how much folks appreciate free literature based programming in our library.
Total Request for Youth Services for 2017 is 2500.00 Mary moved approval, Abbie Seconded, unanimous
8. Toni Streckert- Adult programming ask for 2017 funds. See Attached. Gave a lovely presentation about the success and rise in attendance at our adult programs. Also

shared some community partnering she has done with Starbucks, The Sewing Machine Project, MG21 as well as others

Total Request for Adult programming: \$2500 Mary Moved approval, Leslie Seconded, unanimous.

9. Penny presented her Eco Action Tuesday budget, and gave a good history of the background. See attached There is currently 3692.83 in the Eco Action Fund. Penny asked for \$1400 for 2017 programming. Mary Moved, Anne D Seconded, Unanimous.
10. Bake and Book Sale
 - a. Sign up Genius worked well- next year just have time slots and put people to work upon arrival where they are needed. 2 people in the bake sale in the am, 1 in the pm.
 - b. Call and recruit volunteers for next year from this year's list.
 - c. Yard sign placement went well- some suggestions for new locations on Monona Drive. Sorges, Nichols school, the Medicine Shoppe,
 - d. Publicity Chair- John Debacher is stepping down. Alicia Hazen is stepping up.
 - e. Ann Bowles shared Blurbs that Dean sent to Joyce Hamm that made it into the school newsletters. Will be added to publicity binder.
 - f. Pricing of books was easy and good-
 - g. Cashiers should not ask people to round up..
 - h. Possible idea for the bag sale- Donate what you would like per bag.
 - i. Bake sale- had plenty of items and 3 plates left on Sunday.
 - j. Next year's sale will be the weekend of October 7 and 8 again in conjunction with Fall Festival.
 - k. Anne Doran is retiring from the board chair position of Booksale coordinator. Abbie and Leslie are taking her place as cochair. Thanks Anne for all the years as a Friends board member.
 - l. Abbie and Leslie gave out a checklist that all Friends should look at and review for additions, things missing, and return to them, Also they will be doing a lot of delegating, so be prepared to sign up for a task or two. (Sue already volunteered to handle SIG.)

11. Bookstore:

- a. Abbie reports that she thinks the booksale will run even better if we do a better job of presorting in the storage room. She will label shelves as such:
 - Fiction- General, Romance, Mystery.
 - Non Fiction- General, Biographies, History, CurrentEvents/Political
 - Science, Cookbooks

If it is your month in the bookstore, be sure to sort the boxes in the bookstore and in the storeroom. Fill the back shelves first. Abbie is also rewriting the guidelines and will post and share them Kay will ask for donations from ½ price again, Sue will make new labels for the bookstore. Volunteer Sign Up

- November- Abbie
- John Debacher- December
- Kay- January

- Leslie- February
- Anne Doran-March
- Jenny-April
- Mary O. May

12. Next meeting Tuesday February 14th at 6:45. Note new time.

13. Anne moved adjournment, Jenny seconded at 7:39

Appendix one: