

Friends of the Timothy C. Hauenstein Reynolds Township Library

Meeting Minutes for April 10, 2024

Members and Guests Present: Sue Bogardus, Sherri Norton, Pat Bauman, Judy Parker, Jan Malmo, Jan Williams, Sharon Willett, Deb Behrenwald.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Jan Malmo. Jan thanked everyone for filling in and continuing with scheduled projects while she was away.

Approval of the Minutes: *Motioned by* Sue B. and *seconded by* Judy P. to approve the March 13, 2024 minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Jan W. reported that there were several recent deposits and bills to record. She also collected dues from several members. All received a recent copy of the current balance sheet showing a beginning balance of \$3,510.82. An additional expense was turned in by Pres. Jan M. for NLWD (National Library Worker's Day 4/9/23). *Motioned by* Sharon W. and *seconded by* Pat B. to approve the treasurer's report and additional expense for NLWD.

Director's Report – Cheryl Smith

- A program, given by Montcalm Co. Detective Sgt. Steve Snyder on Human Trafficking in Montcalm Co., will take place next Wednesday, April 17th at 6:00 p.m.
- Mushroom Identification will take place Saturday, April 27th 11:00am-1:00 pm.
- A second Sour Dough class with Jill Hall is scheduled for Saturday, May 13th.
- The One Book One County book will be introduced Saturday, May 21st beginning at noon with Speaker /Author Brook Whipple. If interested, please let Cheryl know as she will RSVP for us.

Please see the monthly calendar for additional information on upcoming programs and events.

Cheryl is requesting FOL members to help with the Carnival at the end of the Summer Reading Program on July 18th from 10:30am – 1:00 pm. Also, helpers will be needed at the Used Book Sale during the Food Truck Rally/Craft Show July 27th from 9:00 am – 3:00pm. FOL members may also help with elementary students touring the library May 14, 16, 20, 21st (this will be finalized at the next FOL meeting in May).

First Aid Kits are now available at the circulation desk in the library. These are free of charge.

Book Review: The next Book Club will meet April 24th at 1:00 pm. The book for discussion will be "The Invisible Hour" by Alice Hoffman. All are welcome to join. Books are available at the circulation desk.

OLD BUSINESS

Garden Tour- After much discussion and conflicts with the dates for this year, *motioned by* Deb B. and *seconded by* Sue B. to cancel the event for this year and schedule for next year on Saturday, July 12th with rain date of July 19th. Motion Carried. Also noted that for next year FOL reach out to National Honor Society or similar service-oriented HS group to help with hosting at the participating gardens.

Birdhouse Art Prize – This event was well received with a possible 42 decorated houses to be judged (did not get # on how many were actually judged). Everyone did a great job with winners in three categories: Older Kids, Young Kids and Adults. Discussion on a future event was to have more than two judges and maybe another theme or do another Birding Event.

Book Tasting Event – *Motioned by* Jan M. and *seconded by* Sue B. to schedule this event next February. Motion carried.

Music in the Park – Jan W. will select the August date for FOL concessions. A suggestion was made to secure a food truck for the evening and FOL will contribute treats to sell (cookies, brownies etc.) Jan W. will check on food truck options and report back next month.

Harvest Festival Quilt Raffle – The date for Harvest Festival is September 21st. Arlene Culver brought two quilts in today for FOL to select for raffle. By vote of hands, the Neutral Quilt measuring 93x93 for \$200.00 was selected. We discussed purchasing an additional quilt to be held and raffle off at Christmas Tree Challenge. Arlene has blocks for a Christmas theme quilt she will sell for \$125.00. *Motioned by Sue B. and seconded by Sharon W.* to purchase a second “Christmas” quilt with total for both \$325.00. Motion carried.

Food Truck Rally/Used Book Sale/ Glow Parade – The used book sale will be from 9:00 am – 3:00pm. FOL members have been invited to participate in the evening Glow Parade. Line-up 8:00 pm with parade from 9:00-9:30 pm.

NEW BUSINESS

Tonies (story figures) Cheryl is requesting \$200.00 from FOL to purchase 10 (each Tonie holds several stories) to accompany the Tonie Kit. *Motioned by Sue B. and seconded by Jan W.* to purchase these. Motion carried.

Adjournment – *Motioned by Judy P. and seconded by Sue B.* to adjourn at 12:07 pm. Motion carried.

Next Meeting – Wednesday, May 8, 2024 at 10:00 am.