

February 2024 FDDL Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:07 p.m. on February 27, 2024

Attendees: Kantha Gardner, Bud Haynes, Paul McCann, Tempie Stahlin, Kim Swoverland, and Kevin Vrsek

The draft meeting minutes from the January 23, 2024 meeting and the presented agenda for the February 2024 meeting were both reviewed and approved by consensus.

Director's Report: Paul reported the Library's strategic plan has been reviewed and accepted by the Board. Library staff will be developing a work plan and timeline for implementing the initiatives identified on the plan. Once the work plan is in place, the results of the strategic plan will be published on the DDL website and will be explained in the coming newsletter publication. There may be strategic plan projects for the Friends to consider funding. Dexter's Bicentennial Celebration will be occurring this coming June, including a special parade on Saturday, June 22. The Library has been asked to have a presence in the parade. Paul is hoping to have at least 15 parade marchers and requested for an email to go out to the FDDL membership asking for participants. Regarding the Library's weekly Adult Yoga program, Paul asked if the Friends might be willing to provide funding assistance. The FDDL Board expressed interest in sponsorship of the yoga program, and requested for Paul to bring a proposal to the next FDDL meeting.

New Business: None.

Ongoing Business and Reports:

Regarding the 60+ boxes of excess books currently in the Library's storage area, Kevin believes Bookstock out of Livonia will be the best route for donating the large volume of excess materials. It was suggested we may need to rent a truck or trailer, and have some dollies available. Volunteers may be needed to help transport the books.

Treasurer Mary Tobin was absent, but provided financial statements as of January 31, 2024, with a little over \$65k available.

Membership Chair Amy Jerome was absent, but provided via email that 2 new members were added in the month of February 2024.

Volunteer Coordinator Tempie Stahlin has been having difficulties with the Dexter Library email account and has found it easier to use her personal email account. Tempie will continue to work with Scott (Library's technology expert) to see if the issue can be resolved.

Publicity Chair Bud Haynes mentioned attending the Library's new "Walking Wednesday" program and intends to write up an article on it, as well as other Library events. He has many ideas for increasing the public's awareness of things going on at the Library, but welcomes additional ideas.

Having completed all business on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned by consensus at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kim Swoverland, Secretary