

Friends of the Dexter District Library Meeting Notes – June 25, 2019

Called to Order: 7:00 p.m. by Kevin Vrsek

Present: Mary Westhoff, President; Kevin Vrsek, Vice-President, Mary Tobin, Treasurer; Paul McCann, Director; Jeanne Bradish; Kathy Nesbitt; Cortney Ophoff; Yvonne Schmidt, Eva Slavik; Amy Jerome, Secretary.

Welcome to Guests.

Agenda: Two additions per Cortney – Purchase of a new cart for book sales; Reading program gift certificates.

Minutes: Updates to attendees of Dexter Library Board Meetings. Approved April 23, 2019 meeting minutes.

Director's Report: Summer Reading Program Kickoff attendance included 1500 parents and children on Monday, June 17. The library also hosted 1250 guests for Big Truck Day on Saturday, June 22. Count for SRP Kickoff was similar to last year, but Big Truck Day attendance was down slightly – possibly because last year it was held on a Friday and there were also a lot of other events in town on Saturday morning. There was some discussion about alternating the date between Fridays and Saturdays going forward. Paul submitted invoices for reimbursement for book sale replacement shelving and Big Truck Day raffle items. After input from the Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society, Paul is in preliminary stages of researching installation of a bike repair station outside the library and possibly seeking sponsorship by the Friends. More to come. There is concern over book sale donations – steady increase in volume of donated books and multimedia is filling the storage area to capacity.

New Business: Book cart purchased a few months ago has given out and Cortney is looking into warranty. Will also research purchase of another cart. Kevin moved to authorize up to \$200 for purchase of another cart; Mary T. seconded; All in favor. Cortney proposed creating FDDL book sale gift certificates for both adults and children who complete the Summer Reading Program; Jeanne seconded; All in favor.

Old Business

Book Sales: Preparing for two-day Dexter Daze book sale August 9 & 10, with Friends pre-sale on Thursday evening, August 8. Yvonne will send out email requesting volunteers and reminding Friends – and their family members – about the pre-sale. Cortney needs boxes and bags for the book sales. Yvonne will include a note about this in the next volunteer email.

Membership: May 30 email update from Joelle: Two new members joined the Friends. June 26 email update from Joelle: 1 new member joined this month. Joelle also reported that more Friends are signing up via the library website. And she has also received positive feedback from new Friends about the welcome call and letter.

Volunteers: Please see above for upcoming book sale details. The next blood drive will be in October.

Treasurer's Report: Mary T. will reinvest CD coming up in July. Chelsea State Bank 7-month CDs are working out well. Cortney to provide Mary T. with receipts from book sale supply purchases. At the next meeting, Paul to discuss FDDL monetary contribution to Martha Davis memorial bench. Mary T. set up smile.amazon.com profile, so FDDL is now able to receive ½% on eligible purchases when shoppers select FDDL as the donation recipient. Kevin, Yvonne, and Cortney will also share the link in a newsletter article, Friends email, and book sale display, respectively.

Public Comments:

N/A.

Adjourned

Mary T. moved to adjourn and Mary W. seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Next meeting is Tuesday, September 24, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the lower level of the library.