

La Crescent Public Library Board Meeting

Tuesday, December 8, 2020

PRESENT: Sarah Riess, Lisa Docken, Robin Yeshe, Tina Ryan, Logan Colby, Theresa O'Donnell-Ebner - City Council Rep., Jim Nissen - SELCO Rep.,

OTHERS PRESENT: Emily Riley, interim library director, Kathie Rozovics, Friends liaison

ABSENT: Kayce Gentry, Library Director on maternity leave

Call to order at 6:20 pm

Amendments – none

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion to approve - Theresa, Second - Robin

COUNCIL COMMENTS – The budget was approved. Proposed library budget approved as presented by Kayce. City Hall is currently closed - positive COVID cases. DMV - high need area - hoping by next week - at least be some services available.

Library Staff is doing OK so far. We do have a safety plan for library employees has been drafted.

Emily commented - have city's plan and library addendum. Plan in place to shut down the library if a staff member tests positive. Staff members quarantined if a family member tests positive. She will reach out to the board as needed. People have been compliant coming into the building.

FRIENDS OF LIBRARY - November 12 meeting. One final book sale - over \$200. Balance end of November \$2800. Raised over 10,600 without gift baskets. \$2691 for the year book sales. Apple pie sale over \$1000. February - Valentine chocolates. Gift baskets - 2 are money baskets - not knowing how much is in there. Trays of cookies for cookie walk - will have baskets on trays and wrapped up.

Noted - Kayce reached out to Friends to help with baskets for auction. This isn't usually a Friends task. 2 volunteers did help do this, but no board members. In the future, our board members need to be in charge of this taking place.

FINANCIAL REPORT -

We look to be on track. Income that hasn't been recorded yet. No big surprises.

DIRECTORS REPORT - Kayce had her baby. Everyone is safe and healthy. Emily is taking over. New staff schedule is in effect. Pick up, computer, and appointment browsing. Some confusion about 3 day quarantine, but easy to explain when there are questions. 17th annual gift basket fundraiser - 50 baskets on Facebook. Emily continues storytime and La Crescent discussions.

New programs in January - winter reading - hot reads for cold nights - Jan/Feb. Book reviews for prizes. Steve Mau - planning for the end - Thursdays - 10 sessions. Grateful - Thanks to the family of MaryAnn Jackson - donation in her honor - money to purchase large print books - stickers in books as a memorial.

OLD BUSINESS –

9.1 - Board Term Limits - 7 members

1 is city council rep. Other 6 members have terms of 3 years - can serve a maximum of 3 terms. Lisa and Sarah have served 9 years so they are up, Robin is stepping off this year. There are 3 open spots.

Kelsey and Sue are possibly interested in joining the board.

February meeting - new members start and then president, vice-president, secretary are voted on.

Asking for board members to reach out to help find some new people to join.

NEW BUSINESS

10.1 – Resolution 163 - Friends donation - \$1675 split among programming, subscriptions, and Overdrive Ebook leasing - Motion - Sarah, Second - Robin. Motion carries.

10.2 – Resolution 164- Donation - \$1000 from the family of MaryAnn Jackson in memory- paying for large print books - Motion - Logan, Second - Theresa - Motion carries.

Next meeting – Tuesday, February 9, 2021

Motion made to adjourn meeting at 6:51 pm

Respectfully submitted for the final time by Sarah Riess, secretary

It's been a pleasure working with all of you!