

Friends of the Richland Library

November 13, 2015 at the Library

Present: Dianne Woods, Brenda Lauer, Stevie Brinkerhoff, Sharon Reid, Cindy Berg, Ruth Anne Prentice, Dennis Kreps

Minutes

The minutes of the June 1, 2015 meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report

Brenda did not have a report today since an up to date report is needed for the annual meeting, Nov. 19 and the current statement is available on Nov. 15.

Old Business

Dennis thanked Dianne for the refreshments provided for the Jerry Dennis program and all of those involved in the success of the program. It was well attended and the authors enjoyed being at the Richland Library.

A motion was made for the Friends to spend up to \$500.00 for a sound system for the library. Dennis will continue to research systems and purchase one soon.
Brinkerhoff/Berg Motion carried.

The programs for the rest of the 2015-16 year are:
February 2016 - D.E. Johnson, topic, electric automobiles
April 21, 2016 - Susan Ramsey and Jack Ridl, topic poetry
May 2016 - Gary Schmidt, young adult author

Stevie suggested presenting a book when a patron has a new baby. The criteria for recipients and source of funding will be investigated and findings presented at a future meeting.

Dianne distributed copies of the FORL By-Laws. She highlighted the mission of Friends, described in the Purpose and Article VIII, which provides direction if the Friends were to be dissolved.

There was a discussion on the amount of Friends dues and membership options. No decision was made and this will be discussed at a future meeting.

Sharon suggested that Friends should have a Face Book page. This would help with marketing.

New Business

The annual meeting and election will be held on Thursday Nov. 19 at 6:30 PM at the library.

Following the annual meeting, Tony Lorenz will be available to appraise antiques. Cindy will take care of the refreshments.

Stevie suggested that the Friends provide staff appreciation treats for the library staff throughout the year. She also introduced the idea that the Friends sponsor a gathering of area book clubs for collaboration and sharing of reading lists.

Sharon thought that Kids' Book Clubs might like to be involved in that type of gathering also. Dennis proposed that this could be a project for the TAB (teen advisory board). These ideas will be explored in the future.

Motion to adjourn at 11:30 AM - Reid/Lauer, Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth Anne Prentice, Secretary