

Friends of Marcellus Free Library, Inc.

Board Meeting Minutes March 27, 2019

Board Members Present: President Audrey Kearney, Vice President Michele Merwarth, Recording Secretary Nancy Scanlon, Corresponding Secretary Paulette Quinn, Director Sharon Dudley, Past President Barb Crawford.

Board Members Absent: Treasurer Linda Garner, Director Vicki Finkle.

Others in Attendance: Advisory Council members.

Program: Captain Dan Wiles from Mid-Lakes Navigation Company.

President Kearney called the meeting to order at 12:43 PM and thanked the hostesses Susan Spencer and Sandy Mealy.

Nancy Scanlon gave the Secretary's report. The minutes were accepted as read.

President Kearney gave the Treasurer's report for Linda Garner. A discussion was held about the Treasurer's report.

Business:

Barb Crawford passed around the list of businesses for people to contact for donations. Thank you cards and stamps were also available to send to donating businesses.

The winner of the tickets to see author Louise Penny at the Rosamond Gifford Lecture Series was Cyndi Stevens.

The winner of the quilt raffle was Jeanne Fox.

Paulette reported the box of chocolates that was the prize for the participants in the photo booth during Library Lovers month was won by Natalie Randolph and the coupons for the Book Nook were won by Sylvia, Paxton and Mabel Roame.

NYLA Webinar was attended by Audrey Kearney and Michele Merwarth. Tips for friends of libraries were discussed along with a team approach to leadership. Tips on Preparing for Leadership Succession, Emergency Leadership Transition Plans, Officers Job Description and Ideas for Officers Steering Committee were discussed.

Michele Merwarth reported on the \$100.00 donation in memory of Jane Amidon. A discussion was held and a motion was made and seconded to donate a rocking chair in Jane's memory from the Friends. Motion carried. Michele Merwarth was to purchase the rocking chair.

President Kearney discussed the amount that should be spent for flowers for the library staff for National Library Workers Day on April 9th. The amount of \$50.00 was approved. Motion made and

carried.

President Kearney asked for members to volunteer for the nominating committee. There are openings for Vice President, Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary and one Director. Gloria Weeks will chair the nominating committee. Susan Spencer will assist.

President Kearney also reported that the NYLA membership renewal is due and a discussion took place as to whether the Friends should continue with the membership. The consensus was yes and a motion to pay the \$50.00 for the renewal was made and seconded. Motion carried.

President Kearney reported that Library Director Jake Widrick asked the Friends for funding for the following:

- summer reading and additional programs
- technology
- library materials including art materials
- outreach

A discussion was held about what the library does with laptop replacements and providing yoga mats. Michele Merwarth suggested the library provide a more detailed list to discuss next month. A motion was made and seconded to give the Library a check for requested items. Motion carried.

Paulette Quinn said there are 160 members and welcomed new members Ann Lewis and Diane Hausch. There are 36 Likes on the Friends Facebook page.

Paulette Quinn asked for \$400.00 for new signs to be made for the Library Book Sale. Motion made and seconded for \$400.00 to be used for signs. Motion carried.

Being no further business, President Kearney adjourned the meeting at 1:36 PM.

Next meeting: April 17, 2019 Assemble raffle baskets.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Scanlon

Recording Secretary