

Friends of the Woodland Library
May 8, 2014
Port of Woodland meeting room

Attending: President Paula Bosel, Vice President Nancy Johnson, Secretary Sharon Watt, Assistant Treasurer Marci O'Flanagan, Head Librarian Justin Keeler, FVRL Business Development Officer Judy Musa, Linda Finley, Noel Johnson, Joyce Sixberry

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am.

Minutes—Motion made by Marci to approve the minutes as e-mailed, Joyce seconded.
Approved

Treasurer's report—Our total assets are \$289,805.88, which includes \$10,050.87 in checking. Marci gave Justin a check for \$.93, to replace the check which had gone un-cashed. Bob voided the original check.

OLD BUSINESS

Membership---Noel and Nancy brought some new memberships, gathered at the April 'After Hours' event.

Newsletter---Justin would like the next newsletter to go out before school lets out. Joyce has written articles about Luciane and about the Adult Reading program, which took place in January and February. She asked for an article and photos about the May 3rd Friends Fair.

Storing Books---Public Works Director Bart Stepp looked at the space behind the library and Community Center. He feels that an 8'x10' shed would best fit behind the library. Judy contacted Lowe's and Home Depot about donating a shed. A very specific letter will need to be written. Judy, Paula, Marci and Justin will explore this, hopefully with Bob.

Planters Day/ book sale---The Community Center is reserved for June 19-21, Planters' Day weekend. We will start setting up at 12:30 on Thursday, the 19th. Hours on Friday are 10am-6pm, Saturday 10am-4pm, with the bag sale at 3pm. All books are \$1 (with exceptions for small children's books), and a bag of books at the bag sale will be \$3.

There was a discussion of having bottled water for sale. Linda will check on prices at Costco, and we will decide at the June 12th meeting.

There was a discussion of publicity—newspapers, social media, websites.

FVRL Friends Fair---Saturday, May 3rd, 9:30-3:30, Water Resource Center, Vancouver
Noel and Nancy attended. There was a presentation about on-line book selling. We need someone to do this now that Laurie Barnes is no longer able to do it. One suggestion is to ask for a volunteer in the newsletter. Paula said that there would need to be an account for the transactions. She will investigate.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

The Fairy House construction program will be Wednesday, May 14th, 3:30pm, in the Community Center. There seems to be much interest in this, so Justin reported being prepared for 100.

On May 15th, Luciane (Lu) will attend the ESL Parent-Student Literacy night at the primary school. She will be discussing the Summer Reading program and up-coming events, how to get a library card, and how to use the library.

Summer Reading starts June 1st. The librarians are coordinating with the schools.

Justin, Lu and Judy gave a presentation to the Woodland Chamber of Commerce on May 6th. Paula congratulated them on doing a good job.

On May 9th Justin will have the first meeting with the architects and consultants. It will be a meeting to plan for outreach to the community, regarding building a new library. Justin thinks that meetings could start in early summer.

A new 60% Senior Library Assistant has been hired. Mandy was previously at the Cascade Park branch. Justin reports that she is very enthusiastic. He hopes that she will be taking over the teen activities. The library will now be fully staffed for the first time since October.

Justin discussed the idea of purchasing small token prizes to support the Summer Reading program. As children come into the library weekly, they could pick one. He doesn't yet know how much this would cost.

Justin asked for \$100 for candy to distribute during the Planters Day parade and \$10 for the parade entry fee. Noel made the motion to approve the \$110, seconded by Marci. Approved

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Nancy was given a check for \$1,000 from the Friends of the Battle Ground Library, for our building fund. The money is given in honor of Avril Massey, of the Three Creek Friends, who told the Battle Ground Friends "When it is someone else's turn, pass it on".

At the Chamber presentation, Judy described two programs, and she was asked to describe them to us. Hello Baby book bags are distributed through pediatricians, etc. They include a board book, information on methods for developing literacy, information on infant development, an oral syringe, a list of library locations, and a coupon for a free book. It was formerly funded by grants, but now it is funded by community sponsors. Sophie Reads bags can be checked out, like books and subject to fines. They contain books for all ages and early-learning kits with manipulatives for different subjects.

There was a discussion of passing out bookmarks from the Summer Reading contest at the parade and book sale. We also discussed making buttons for the Summer Reading program.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35.

Sharon Watt, Secretary

Next meeting—Thursday, June 12, 2014, 10am, Port meeting room