

Friends of the Lewistown Public Library Minutes for April 24, 2024

Those attending were: Sandy Birkland, Tia Carr, Paula Drissell, Angie Eakins, Tony Gies, MaryJo Hamling, Arlene Mari, Mary Mendel, Cathy Moser, Andrea Payne, Donna Philip, Chiara Vanderbeek, and Alissa Wolenetz

Arlene called the meeting to order at 1pm. Director's Report, Minutes and agendas were distributed.

Disposition of Minutes: Minutes were approved (motion by Angie E., 2nd by Andrea P.).

Treasurer's Report: Tony G. reported the balance is \$57,911.01. (Note: if the library gets the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), FOL has committed to a 25% match of the grant.)

Library Director's Report:

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library: Total books mailed (Fergus County) 3,917

Upcoming fundraiser: Silent auction of cutout of Dolly Parton during Author Dinner.

Programming: Monthly Programs continue: See the News Argus or our social media for updates.

Summer Reading Program: Theme is "Adventure Begins at Your Library"

Schedule by Age Range

0-5 Fridays, 10:30 am

6-8 Tuesdays, 10 am

11-13: Thursdays 10am

14-17: Wednesdays 6 pm Note: This is new. Hopefully will be a year-round program.

Family/All-ages: Saturdays (All Day)

Adult Programs: Thursdays 6 pm

Monthly Discussion Clubs continue at regular times

Update from Chiara about Book Fair

This will be July 9 – 13 (the last week of Summer Reading Program)

Author Dinner

Time and Location: Wednesday, May 8th at 5pm at the Elks Club

Tickets: \$50/person, dinner included, available at the Front Desk of Library or from any board member.

Building Updates: No updates.

Funding requests: None

Staffing: Jamie Hahn Curry has been hired to do the summer 12-hour per week library job.

Volunteer Requests:

Sign up to help with the FOL Book Fair July 9-13 (Tuesday – Friday 9:30 am each day)

Sign up for County Budge request attendance at Co. Commission meeting (mid-May, pending Board approval.)

Results of April 5 book sale:	\$423.75
Results of April 6 book sale:	<u>\$344.50</u>
Total for April sale:	\$768.50

Upcoming May book Sale:

Volunteers: Friday 5/03: noon till 2:30 pm Sandy Birkland & Tia Carr
2:30 pm till 5 pm Angie E. and Andrea P.
Saturday 5/04: 9am till 12:30 pm Tony & Louise Gies

Gently used games for sale at the book sale were a hit with the public.

New Library Board Member: Mary Baumstark was approved by city commission to serve as a board member for the opening on the board.

Author's Dinner: Fol was asked to donate an auction item for the May 8th Author's Dinner. Cathy Moser procured the print of the courthouse and had it framed as our contribution. The framing

was donated. FOL also pays part of the cost of the author coming here.

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Flower barrels in front of the Book Station: Sandy and Tia will take care of this. FOL has funds for this.

Status of election of officers:

The slate of officers proposed is: MaryJo Hamling, President
Angie Eakins, Vice President
Sandy Birkland, Treasurer
Secretary _____

Andrea Payne is willing to do communications (meeting announcements, Book Sale info, etc.)

These are emailed to FOL members. There are approx. 130-140 members.

Elections are at the end of May every other year.

Next Meeting is May 28th at 1pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted.

MaryJo Hamling, Secretary