North Riverside Library Foundation

Annual Meeting Virtual

August 17, 2021

6:30 pm

Call to Order: Kathleen Spale called the meeting to order at 6:44 pm.

Roll Call: Present; Kathleen Spale, Koula Tricoci, Nadia Nammari, Annette Corgiat, Lenora Giurini, Vera Wilt, Marge Hook, John Mathias, and Natalie Starosta.

Absent: Monica Pineda, Stephanie Lanken, PJ Folz, and Jeanne Eichorst.

Approval of Minutes of July 20, 2021: Lenora made a motion to approve the minutes of July 20, 2021. Koula seconded, and by a voice vote, the motion passed.

Library Board: Annette Corgiat; Annette said a lot is happening. We have one Board position available. Two people are interested, and will be interviewed.

Library: Natalie Starosta; The Library will be replacing the concrete and asphalt out front. The Board approved the use of Smart Lockers. They will be outside of the Library. The patrons will be able to pick up books and things they have checked out, even after hours. Kathleen said they are useful for many things. She also said they are using the same company that her library uses, and have found them to be a great company to work with. Programs that will be offered will be mostly Hybred. There are two presenters that will do in person presentations

Treasurer's Report: Koula Tricoci; Koula reported that our present balance is \$17,315.47. She made a \$40.00 payment for 2020 to Illinois for filing, and a \$40.00 payment for filing for 2018. that wasn't paid. She received the money from the Book Sale. There was \$397.00 in bills, and a bag of change. She will take the change to the bank to be counted.

John Mathias made a very generous donation of \$5,000.00 to the Foundation. THANK YOU SO MUCH JOHN, what a wonderful thing to do.

Annual Meeting: Annette thinks we should send out a note to all current members to see if they would want to stay on for another year. All members present at this meeting agreed to stay on for another year. Annette feels we need to build a healthier base so we can carry on the work of the Library.

Name Change: Natalie Starosta; Natalie said we need to make the name change before we can move forward. She will send the change to the lawyer to have him check out how it works for 5013C non profit. Nadia thinks it might be possible to just amend the name. Annette made a

motion that we change our name to North Riverside Library Foundation and Friends. By a voice vote, the motion was passed.

Library Board shirts: Natalie said that John Mathias asked if the Foundation could fund the purchase of polo shirts for the Library Board members to wear. He feels that having the Library logo on them will advertise our Library, raising more awareness. Nadia will look into prices for the polo shirts and printing from the company she has worked with before. Annette feels this should not be funded by the Foundation, but the Library Board.

Purchases: Library Movie License (Swank) \$355.00. Vera made a motion to fund the cost of the Movie License. Annette seconded, and by a voice vote, the motion passed.

Amazon Smile Library of Things Wish List. Items on the list are things the Library wants to have to be able to check out to patrons. People will purchase the items directly, and the Library will be very appreciative. Example of things on the list will be crochet and knitting needles, power tools, cooking items, and home improvement items etc.

Book Page: ----

Read To Feed: Payment due next month.

2021 Fundraisers: Autumn Fest and Chili Cook Off; The Library has won several times in the past. Jean Ottenweller will make the Chili this year. We will need volunteers for set up, decorating, and serving.

Pumpkin Party: Natalie reported that they are working on figuring everything out. It will run through October 25<sup>th</sup> for the kids.

Masks and merchandise: No update

Annual Membership Letters: Annette said we need to choose if we want mail or online payments. We will change the way we have been doing the membership drive. Natalie mentioned we could send out a post card with Foundation membership information on one side, and Library information on the other. We are considering sending a letter to all the North Riverside households, and a letter to old members. We will need to pay for the printing, which will cost about \$1,400.00 plus shipping. It was suggested that the Foundation could split the cost with the Library Board. Vera made a motion that the Library should split the cost with the Library Board. Lenora seconded, and by a voice vote, the motion passed.

Kay Subaitis: The fireplace will be delivered on August 18<sup>th</sup>. The builder will return to finish up the work.

Shredding:

We will have this event in Fall. PJ is working with Melissa from RB who works with the students in the Work Force Program. They have missed out the last two years because of Covid. They

need a commitment from us and arrange a date. Vera reminded us to be sure the people know they must not include paper clips or file folders. Magazines are not allowed, they can be recycled. Riverside Township will have their recycling at the Masonic Lodge on October 16<sup>th</sup>, from 9-12.

Library Holiday Photo Shoot: There will be photos for families. A Library employee is a photographer, and will take the photos. It will be held in November.

Pet Photo Shoot: Maybe it can be in conjunction with the Holiday Photo Shoot. Lenora thinks it would be better if it was virtual. They still have the background files. They will think about it.

Unfinished Business-

Kathleen adjourned the meeting at 8:25 pm.

Marge Hook, Secretary

Hope everyone is well, and safe.