

# North Riverside Library Foundation

Minutes of Virtual Meeting

March 16, 2021 6:30 pm

Call to Order: Kathleen Spale called the meeting to order at 6:36 pm.

Roll Call: present; Kathleen Spale, Vera Wilt, Monica Pineda, Koula Tricoci, Annette Corgiat, Lenora Giurini, Nadia Nammari, Marge Hook, and Natalie Starosta. Guest, Britney Musial.

Absent; PJ Folz, Jeanne Eichorst and Stephanie Lanken.

Approval of Minutes of February 16, 2021: Vera made a motion to approve the minutes. Lenora seconded, and by a voice vote, the motion passed.

Library Board: Annette Corgiat; Annette said there was nothing special to report. Elections will be after the next meeting.

Library: Natalie Starosta; The Library had an ongoing discussion about revising the by-laws. They also discussed the Library going fine free. Kathleen said the Oak Park Library is fine free. It works well, with no complaints. The community loves it. The Big Sad News is Lizzy is leaving to take a position at the Hinsdale Library. This is sad, as she has done a great job. She will really be missed. Marla was asked to be her replacement. She accepted, and starts Monday. She has big shoes to fill, but will work out well.

Treasurer's Report: Koula Tricoci; Koula reported our beginning balance was 31,9134.07. Our ending balance is 31,618.84. Koula will give a check for 20,000.00 to the Library towards the cost of the server. It will also go towards upgrades and other things. We will need to replace about 29 computers in the future.

Purchases: Book Page; We paid \$354.00 for the Book Page subscription for the Library.

Read to Feed; Kay Subaitis and the Friends of the Library, sponsored Membership, Book Sale Room, Books for Babies, and Read to Feed. The Foundation will continue with these activities. Annette suggested we get all the notes from these activities together, and decide which of these activities we can continue, and decide if we need to restart or revise what the FOL has done. We took the lead in taking over the Read to Feed activity already, and need to decide if we want to continue, or go forward.

Vera said the FOL gave a donation to the Riverside Township Food Pantry every year. She added there was an increase in general assistance during Covid. In order to take advantage in the program, you must live in the Township. Annette felt we should donate \$200.00 to the Food Pantry at this time, in honor of Read to Feed. She then made the motion to do so. Koula seconded, and by a voice vote, the motion passed. It will be for the year 2020.

## 2021 Fundraisers

Masks and Merchandise: Koula reported we have 10 canvas left with the dog and cat on one side and the logo on the other side. We also have 17 bags with just the logo. The bags are \$10.00 each. Koula also said we have black crew neck sweatshirts with the NR local logo available.

Kay Subaitis: The construction on Kay's Room will start in the end of April. The Donor Wall will come in this week. It will be installed where the cork boards are. The fire place which was donated by Kay's family is on back order. Donations for Kay's Room can be made by sending a check to the Library, indicating what it is for. Lenora said she saw a list of donors, and noticed some names missing. Natalie said she would check into it.

Yoga/Zumba: Lenora has no update at this time. She will get in touch with Missy. Because of Covid, we might not be able to have the fundraiser this year. We might consider having it outside. The Virtual Yoga was very good too.

What Do You Love About Your Community. This was done to bring attention to the Library. There were no submissions, but did have comments from some people.

Shredding: We will consider this again. We can partner with the RB High School students again.

Riverside Township and Recreation are doing it.

Past Ideas: We discussed the various fundraisers we have had in the past. We thought Fall is a better time for the Pet Shoot and the Letters. Koula suggested this might be a good time to connect the Riverside Library with our Library in the Walkathon. We could also join with The Komarek School and Ames School. Koula and Lenora will get together and come up with a plan.

Assigning Donations in Portal: This is finally worked out. When someone wishes to make a donation to the Library, there is a place where they can choose exactly where they want the donation to go.

Online Donation Platforms and Give Lively: Nothing at this time.

Adjournment: Annette made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Monica seconded, and by a voice vote the motion passed.

Kathleen adjourned the meeting at 8:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Marge Hook, Secretary

Next meeting April 20, 2021- 6:00 pm

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