

Friends of the Crystal Falls District Community Library
Friday, July 21, 2023, 1:00pm, Library Conference Room

Present: Janet Wagner, Joan Kupchynsky, James Jackson, Margaret Padilla

1. Call to order: Janet called the meeting to order at 1:08pm.
2. Agenda building: no changes made to the agenda.
3. Approval of minutes from last meeting: Jim moved, Janet seconded, to approve the minutes from the June 13, 2023 Annual Meeting. M/C w/Joan abstaining.
4. Treasurer's Report (Jim): Year end report made. Peg moved, Joan seconded, to accept the treasurer's report as presented and place on file. M/C.
5. Old Business
 - Debrief Annual Meeting:
 - Venue: agreed larger venue (Stage Left) is good for a larger group meeting.
 - Time: small turnout for weekday meeting. Agreed to return to Saturday morning meeting next year.
 - Follow up: Business fund-raising letters. Discussed sending follow up letters to donors who donated last year but not yet this year. Joan agreed to draft a letter. Once all agree on wording, letters will be sent out.
 - "Check" presentation to Evelyn for past fiscal year (July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023): purchased large reusable check for a formal presentation to the library, which represents the total support the Friends provided to the Library for the past fiscal year. Photo was taken with Janet presenting the check to Evelyn. Peg will draft an article to include with the photo in order to submit it to the local papers.
6. New Business
 - Upcoming events
 - Fungus Fest: August 25-26. Book sale will take place on Saturday, August 26 from 9am to 1pm. Agreed to hold a bake sale in conjunction with the book sale, if other Friends agree to participate. Jim will provide a tent and table for the bake sale and Joan agreed to monitor the table. Peg will sell t-shirts at a separate table.
 - Crystal Fresh Round Up: local grocery store will hold a round up event to benefit the FOCFDCL from October 9-22. Janet will renew efforts to have Super One in Iron River hold a similar event in the future.
 - Candy Bash: will be held on Saturday, October 28, from 3-5pm. Friends will meet for a member meeting on Tuesday, October 24 at 10am, followed by placing of stickers and bookmarks in Halloween books in preparation for Candy Bash event.

- Investing assets: Jim moved, Janet seconded, to authorize the treasurer to explore opening an account with Vanguard Investments in order to facilitate possible short term investments of Friends' assets. M/C.
- Website Hosting: Our current Website is hosted through Jim's account. After discussion, Joan moved, Janet seconded, to authorize Jim to explore getting a Friends' account to host our website. M/C.
- Report: Library Board/employee salaries: Evelyn reported on Library Board approval of pay raises for all library employees.
- Schedule (and plan) next full Friends meeting: Scheduled a full Friends meeting for Thursday, August 24 at 10am. Agenda will include follow up on items discussed at the Annual Meeting. Following the meeting, volunteers will begin hauling books for Book Sale upstairs in preparation for Saturday's sale.

The meeting adjourned at 3:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Peg

Peg Padilla, Secretary, FOCFDCL