

Friends of the Dexter District Library

Meeting Minutes for Annual Meeting on January 25, 2011

Mission: Helping the library fulfill its role in the community by fund-raising, promotion, and support.

Present: President – Kantha Gardner, Vice-President – Mary Westhoff, Treasurer – Michael Raatz, Secretary – Cori Murray, Susi Naperstek, Carolyn Tyson, Sue Smith, Marilyn Raatz, Joelle Moroz and Library Director – Paul McCann

Meeting minutes:

- October minutes were unanimously approved as is.
- December Annual minutes were unanimously approved as is.

Michael reported:

- December: \$4,635.55 in checking as of the end of the year. Total funds were \$15,181.88.
- January: \$5,460.90 in checking, with total funds of \$16,007.23. Book and shelf sales so far is \$825.35.
- Certificate is due in February and we will let it rollover.
- A check was returned to us from a book sale. Michael has sent a letter to the person requesting payment.
- We received a check from Network for Good in the amount of \$100. Someone sent a donation to the Friends through this organization. Michael is sending a thank you letter to them.

Paul reported:

- Library is doing good. They are very busy.
- First Grade Reader Round-up is coming up in the middle of March. No specific dates planned as of yet.
- Summer Reading Program will be from June through August.
- Author series was touched on again. There are still no ideas about it yet.
- Paul has spoken to the director at the Chelsea Library about collaborating on a Community Read Program. Possibly setting it up between Dexter, Chelsea and Saline. It is something which will take some time to get organized. No specific ideas yet.
- The Library is working on getting archives from the Dexter Leader converted to a more accessible format.
- Paul says they need a sign over the Young Adult room so it identifies it. He is thinking that could be a purpose for our Strolling Raffle fundraiser.
- Library wish list: Paul says with the Library being as new as it is, there really is not much they need. They could possibly use some additional book shelving.

Susi reported:

- Orv sent the Friends a thank you note for the \$100 gift certificate to North Point.
- There are three people working book sales with Susi so they can help with running in the future: Sharon Crawford, Courtney Uphall and Joelle Moroz.
- The Educational Foundation is holding a silent auction and we will be donating two bags of books.
- Don Miller volunteers at the VA Hospital. We could give him books and VHS tapes we are donated and are in reasonable shape, but we will not sell. He has someone he can give them to who sends books and VHS tapes overseas to service people.

Sue reported:

- There is one new member to the Friends.
- Sue plans on setting up a table at future book sales with information so we can get some new members.

The Friends unanimously approved a motion to have Kantha order some letterhead with the new logo and address on it.

Kantha reported:

- Friends newsletter: If anyone has any ideas on what can be included in our newsletters or if they would like a personal bio included, please e-mail Margaret.
- Friends of the Michigan Library has a workshop and their annual meeting on February 11, 2011 in Lansing. The cost is \$20. Kantha will send out an e-mail in regards to this.
- Paul's wish list: the Author Series is tabled for this year.
- Raffle/Silent Auction:
 - Paul has suggested a neon sign for the teen room as the purpose behind the event. We need to make it sound better.
 - It will be on June 4th and 5th, so it will coincide with the June book sale.
 - It will be set up like a silent auction, but there will be boxes at each item people can put raffle tickets into.
 - We could send invites to more important community members.

Our next meeting is February 22, 2011 at 7pm in the lower level of the Library