

Friends of the Emporia Public Library
Minutes from May 20, 2024

Members present: Gene Graber, Vice President; Dee Schwinn, Secretary; Ruth Gutierrez, Book Sorter Chair, Ron Sellers, Becky Sellers, Sarah Wyrick, Library Board Liaison; Pauline Stacchini, Emporia Public Library Director

Members absent: Harvey Foyle, President; Jan Ralston, Treasurer; Cindy Durbin, Jessica Hopkins, Vicki Brooks.

Gene Graber called the meeting to order at 5:00.

Dee moved and Becky seconded that we approve the agenda. The motion passed

After one correction to the minutes under unfinished business number 2 with the time changed from 507 to 5-8, Ruth moved and Becky seconded that we approve the minutes of the April 22 meeting. The motion passed. Becky was thanked for taking those minutes.

In the absence of the Treasurer, Dee moved and Becky seconded that we table the motion until the next meeting when Jan could address any questions we may have. The treasurer's report was tabled.

Sarah reported about the Library Board meeting. The auditor reported on zoom that all was in order. Kim Cook, Assistant Director of Access Services, was at the meeting and detailed her role on the library staff. She is a part of the three person leadership team.

Pauline reported that the library will need some help for the Reading Kick Off on May 29 from 2:30-4:30. They will need help with the Kid's Konzerts the 5th, 12th, and 26th of June from 11:45-1. The final help will be for the Library Olympics on July 23 from 6:15-7:30. She also shared that the Match Day funds will help with shelving needed in the Children's room to make the board books more accessible to the younger patrons and that the shelves will be moved for better access. They also need some play items for the enclosed area for Toddlers.

Committee reports

Book Sorters: Ruth reported that we are in the process of organizing the mystery books by author. Number of hours spent during the last month was announced at 168 and ½. This did not include all of the hours for the book sale. We are not going to go get large orders of books. Patrons will need to bring the books to the building. Ruth is going to determine how blocked the street will be next week for Unbound Gravel. The building may not be open.. There was an issue with the key not working that Pauline was addressing by contacting Kevin at the city. There will be a book sorter's luncheon at Radius at 11:30 on May 29th.

Book Sales: Dee reported that the First Friday Art Walk Book Sale will go from 5-8. There will be an artist in the building. Dee has a sign up sheet and there will need to be someone who will

take charge of getting everything ready because Dee will not be there. We will see how this goes and then determine if we want to continue.

Unfinished Business:

This item was covered in Dee's report on the book sale.

New Business:

We have been accepted for Match Day again this year. Dee and Gene accepted the certificate at the mall on Tuesday, the 14th. There are 35 groups this year. It would be nice to find someone to head up this campaign for us and take care of all of the details. Gene will attend a meeting at noon on the 21st to get specifics.

Becky moved and Ruth seconded that we adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 5:35.

We took a tour of the Children's Room to see how our Match Day funds would be used.

Dates of importance:

May 29 starting at 11:30 Book Sorters Lunch at Radius
May 29, 2024 from 2:30-3:30 Summer Reading Kick Off
June 5, 2024 from 11:45-1 First Kid's Koncert
June 7, 2024 from 5-8 First Friday Art Walk/Book Sale
June 12, 2024 from 11:45-1 Second Kid's Koncert
June 24, 2024 starting at 5:00 Board Meeting
June 26, 2024 from 11:45-1 Final Kids Koncert
July 23, 2024 from 6:15-7:30 Library Olympics

Respectfully submitted,

Dee Schwinn, Secretary