

Friends of the Emporia Public Library
Minutes

July 22, 2023

Friends facility at 618 Mechanic

Members present: Harvey Foyle, President; Gene Graber, Vice President; Jan Ralston, Treasurer; Dee Schwinn, Secretary; Ruth Gutierrez, Book Sorter Chair; Heather Casswell, Library Board, Liaison; Vicki Brooks, Membership; Ron Sellers, Becky Sellers
Members not present: Jessica Hopkins and Cindy Durbin

Harvey called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Dee added an item under New Business and then Becky moved and Gene seconded to approve the agenda. The motion passed.

The minutes had been sent out today by Harvey. Members were given time to look them over. Thanks to Becky for taking the minutes in Dee's absence. Vicki moved and Becky seconded we approve the minutes. The motion passed.

We had received the Treasurer's report by email. There were no questions to the Treasurer's report. Becky moved and Vicki seconded that we approve the Treasurer's report; the motion passed.

Heather gave the Emporia library board report. There were additions by Pauline. They were looking at goals that the library has in the future. They wish to be proactive in communicating so there are no surprises. They are looking for more partnerships while trying not to duplicate services. They are looking to increase their Spanish book collections with more novels and picture books for the children. They want to get more shelving and reposition the shelves that they have to be more outward looking. They have a law computer and a newspaper computer for public use. Tomorrow will be the Library Olympics. Dee and Ruth will be helping. It will be from 2:30-4:00. Tonight at 6:30 there will be a free concert in the courtyard of the library.

Membership: Vicki has reached out to Stan Fowler at Printing Plus. The cost for 1,000 envelopes of the same type that we had before is 461.50. This is the most cost effective option. She recommends the increase of dues which was altered somewhat to the following:
We will not have a youth category
Individual will be \$25, Family will be \$50, there will be an open space for donations, and a life membership for members over 65 will be \$100.00. It was brought up that we could give all members a free book for their purchases at the book sales. She also wants to have goody bags for the members. Becky moved and Ruth seconded the approval of these changes in the dues. The motion passed. Vicki will get a proof of the envelope from Stan and share it with the group before the printing.

Book sorters: Ruth reported that book sorters spent 100 ½ hours volunteering. There are too many books and not enough room.

The book sale will be from 5-9 on August 2 for First Friday Art Walk and from 9-5 August 3 for the flash sale. It was decided that we will put flyers around town for advertisement. Pauline requested the hours for the Fall sale and Dee will get them to her. We decided that with each purchase, buyers will have a choice of a free CD or DVD. Dee will get name tags for the workers.

Harvey gave the Match Day report

- a. Video: July 31, 2024, 10:30am ECF Room
- b. ECF Website: By August 05, 2024
- c. Video Background photos/video: By September 01, 2024 to Matt Fowler
- d. Talk of Emporia KVOE: September-October 2024, about 11:00am

New Business

At a future meeting we will discuss our continued involvement in Match Day

Dee would like to donate 25 children's book to the Senior Center for their use in a reading program involving seniors and children. It was approved by consensus.

Gene moved and Vicki seconded that we adjourn the meeting. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dee Schwinn

Dates to Remember:

1. FOL Building/Book Sorters:
Tuesdays: 9:00 a.m.—Noon
Wednesdays 1:00–3:00 p.m.
Thursdays 9:00–11:30 a.m. & 1:00–3:00 p.m.
2. Art Walk and Flash Sale August 2 and 3
3. EPL Board Meeting: Thursday, August 08, 2024, 4:15 pm
- 4 Next board meeting will be August 26 at 5:00 p.m.
3. Fall Book Sale: Friday October 18 – Wednesday October 23, 2024
4. Match Day: November 18, 2024