

Proceedings of the Friends of the Brown County Library

A meeting was held on Tuesday, April 24, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. at the Brown County Southwest Branch Library, 974 Ninth Street, Green Bay, WI.

Present: Meg Deem, Sandra Heinzl, Curt Heuer, Don Kraft, KaraLynne Moore, Ellie Reich, and Nicole Virant (Left at 6:00 p.m.)

Also present: Sue Lagerman (staff)

Excused: Ashley Reif, Alex Galt, Matt Kolpien, Barbara Kane, and Sherrill Revolinski

The meeting was called to order at 5:08 p.m. President Don Kraft.

Approve Minutes

Motion to approve minutes of March 24, 2018 with one change—motion to approve the minutes from the Jan 15th was moved by Virant and seconded by Heinzl. **Motion carried.**

Treasurer's Report

Motion to approve March financial statements by Moore and seconded by Reich. **Motion carried.**

President's Report

Action items—the communication committee has been working on an updated newsletter, including a possible title change from “Storylines.” Draft copies of the new layout were passed around for comments and suggestions—changes include planning on 3 issues a year, asking a trained volunteer to submit photos, new articles, etc.

Don will send board members a copy of the notes compiled by Jaimie Leick from our February meeting. There was also discussion on the need for and type of volunteers necessary for the various events—with the book sale and GAKAB needing the most volunteers.

Items for thought: include a VP and IT expert to replace Steve Sinclair (who passed away), new board members, and new lead for the Strategy Team (was also Steve Sinclair).

Library Report

Sue indicated that Library Director Brian Simon's last day was April 21st and there will be a national search conducted for his replacement—Brown County will pay for this search. Sue indicated that September 1st would most likely be the earliest date a new director would start and it may be as late as December. Jodi Angeli has been hired to replace Mary Kay Martzke and a new finance manager, Linda Chos, has been hired.

Untitled Town was held this past weekend and Sue has not received feedback yet on that event from the organizers. Several board members gave feedback based on the events they attended.

On June 2, the library will hold a “How To” festival and the staff is open to ideas for the event as well as volunteers.

Big Book Sale

Due to Winter Storm Evelyn, the library was closed on Saturday (the last day of the sale) and the following Monday. However, final sales were \$31,800 which is close to revenues from past book sales. The remaining children and teens' books were donated to Freedom House and Golden House. Sue will contact two buyers who typically buy the left over books; they will be offered the books for a donation of their choosing. The Fall

big book sale is scheduled for November 5th (Preview Night for Friends members) and the public sale, November 6-10.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Heuer and seconded by Reich. **Motion carried.** The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 21, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. at the Brown County Central Library.

Respectfully submitted,

KaraLynne Moore, Secretary