

Friends of the Grand Forks Public Library

Meeting Minutes August 8, 2011 7:00 – 8:00 pm

- 1. Introductions/Attendance:** Toni Vonnasek, Angie Floden, Aubrey Madler (minutes), Ray Siver, Elaine Matthew
- 2. July 11th minutes review:** Angie F. motioned to accept minutes as presented, Toni V. seconded, no discussion, motion carried
- 3. Treasurer's report:** See attached spreadsheet

4. Old business

a. August 25th-28th book sale planning

-Angie will serve as contact person to arrange volunteers and handle communication from now until the sale. Angie, Ray, and Aubrey will set up the sale on the library's empty shelves Wednesday evening, September 24th. Ray will contact RSVP for 2 volunteers at set up and 3 volunteers for take down, which will start at 4:00 Sunday, September 28th. Angie will also ask Ferguson's book store if they can donate a few books for door prizes, to invite them to purchase books from us, and to ask if they have back stock of books they would like to donate for us to offer in future Friends sales. Prices for the sale are: \$.25 VHS, \$.50 paperbacks, \$1.00 hardcovers, \$5.00 to fill a grocery bag.

b. Determine date(s) for October book sale & membership drive event that will coordinate with Friends of the Library Week October 16-22: October 14th – 16th—planning will continue [open]

c. Review options available to mark items purchased by Friends: From July minutes: |Carmyn moves to invest and explore further, tags to designate items donated by the GF Friends of the Library, month, date (in brass); Deb seconded, no discussion, motion carried. | Carmyn unavailable for discussion, tabled until September. [open]

d. [additional item added after agenda was released] An idea mentioned previously was to put colored dots on items that we put on the continuous book sale racks, these will indicate how long they have been on the rack. We will remove anything that has been there for 3 months. Elaine will purchase the dot stickers in 12 different colors and place them in the Friends mail slot. [closed]

e. [additional item added after agenda was released] Update on last month's agenda item regarding filling the book rack. This is a big money-maker for us if we can keep it refreshed and full. Ray refilled it several times during the past few weeks, so we identified a need to continue this practice. Ellen and Jorgianne regularly sort books and fill the rack on Mondays. Now, an additional friend will also refill the rack later in the week. Schedule is as follows: 1st week of the month: to be assigned, 2nd week of the month: Aubrey, 3rd week of the month: Elaine, 4th week of the month: Angie, Ray will also continue to fill the rack as often as he is available. If the assigned Friend is unable to fulfill their task during a given week, they should let the others know, so that it can be covered. [closed]

5. New business

a. [additional item added after agenda was released] **Our October meeting** falls on a holiday when the library is closed, so we will hold our meeting on the first Monday, October 3rd. [closed]

b. Outstanding bills from the marketing campaign for a new library: Aubrey M. moved to pay \$2000 now from the Friends account, then make \$1000/mo. Installments for the next 2 consecutive months or as our finances allow until the balance is paid, Elaine M. seconded, no further discussion, motion carried. [closed]

c. Fundraiser - volunteer at a vendor cart during REA events: We don't have enough volunteers to commit to this fundraiser. [closed]

d. Book donation program: operationpaperback.org, possible option for weeding some items that have not sold? Aubrey will look into this regarding the process, drop-off location, etc.

Next meeting: September 12th 7:00-8:00pm

2011 Officers: President-Ray Siver, Secretary-Aubrey Madler, Treasurer-Elaine Matthew