

The January 13, 2010 board meeting of the St. Cloud Friends of the Library was called to order by President Jo Weis at 5:35 at the library. Present were:

Shirley Lafler (sec.)	Ingunn Sverrisdottir (treas)	
Steve Engels	Joanne Kudrna (v.p)	Chris Mallo (staff)
Michelle Monson (staff)	Karen Pundsack (staff)	
Jo Weis (pres.)	Libbie Brunsvold	
Dick Jokinen		

Absent: Sarah Gewirtz (ex-officio), Mike Garrity, Bev Pehler, David Malone, Rose Ford

The President asked for additional agenda items. Chris M. added an item about one of the children's room computers. The President added a web site item. Dick J. moved approval of the agenda, Joanne K. seconded, and the amended agenda was approved.

Ingunn S. gave a detailed treasurer's report, covering all of 2009. The recent bag sale was very successful—about \$1,000.00! At Joanne K.'s request, Ingunn will remove the sum of \$5608.20 from net income and place it in cash reserves. With this change Joanne K. moved approval of the treasurer's report. Steve E. seconded. The treasurer's report was approved.

The secretary's report was read and approved.

Michelle M. from the staff reported that:

1-next year they will see what they can do about holiday decorations (Christmas) for the lobby

2-she will confer next week with one of the lighting system's designers? electricians? to see if the Friend's workroom can get more light more often (among other problems)

3-the monitor in the lobby will display notices of Friends' meetings and events.

4-Friends are purchasing a flag for outside display. Since this is an expenditure of over \$100.00, board approval is necessary. Joanne K. moved that we purchase this flag. Ingunn S. seconded, and the motion was approved.

5-the picture (The Bookworm) and the wall hanging given to us by Ken Bruce should be up in the bookstore

6-people will now have to pay for computer printouts

7-Judy Ganz, one of only two employees to have worked in all three libraries, will retire this year after 30 years

Chris M. reported that legacy funding will bring children's authors Nancy Carlson and Debra Frasier to the library this year. The Waite Park branch may be involved in a book signing.

There will be a juggler in the next two weeks. The Zoomobile from the Minnesota Zoo will be here in the near future. The "stuffed animal sleepover" was a big success. Many pictures were taken with the digital camera provided by the Friends. The event will probably be repeated.

Several years ago Friends purchased two computers for the children's room. One is now malfunctioning (doesn't load). Repairs or disposal will need to be undertaken. Jo W. will take this on.

Chris and two other staff members have begun work on a project involving gift baskets and they wonder if Friends would like to contribute bookstore coupons, which we will do.

Steve E. briefly reported that the bag sale was, a success, and that the bookstore committee is pleased that so many books are GONE!

Joanne K. passed around a new consolidated mailing list, and ask that we make updates, if we could.

Libbie B. thanked people for the input for the newsletter and needs everything by January 18, so

that it can be at the printers by Jan.20. The 2010 budget will appear in the newsletter.

Music in the Library (a continuing agenda item)

We are all to read the Fiscal Agent Agreement sent by Joanne K. This, if signed, will involve no volunteering or fundraising and Joanne K. thinks it will not obligate us to anything. K. Frohrip, the promoter of a Music in the Library program is out of town at the moment, and no action need be taken now.

The President is looking for a free web site location. Meanwhile we must pay for the site we have now. Sarah Gewirtz says the amount can be put on her credit card at \$19.95 a month. At this domain we have to pay for the whole year, not the case with all domains. Reimbursing Sarah required a board motion, made by Dick J. and seconded by Libbie B. The motion carried. (\$239.40)

The President gave us an update on member terms, especially in regard to Mike Garrity, who will find it necessary to miss three upcoming meetings. He says that he is willing to resign, or to serve another term, since his term is up anyway. The board has amended the by-laws in recent years to say that three absences would mean the member could no longer serve. In light of the necessity of having quorums to transact business, it was decided to replace Mike G. The President will send all of us updates on member terms.

The President will send a letter of acknowledgement to the family of Phyllis Schill, a long time bookstore volunteer, for their recent donation to Friends, following Phyllis' recent death . The donation was \$200.00.

Libbie B moved to adjourn, seconded by Joanne K. The meeting was adjourned.