

**Friends of the Logan Library
2018 January Board Meeting
Old Ephraim Room, Logan Public Library
5:32 p.m. January 17, 2018
MINUTES**

This is a summary of the minutes, that were recorded by the secretary, and transcribed with highlights and key votes noted. A full account of the minutes will be placed in the archives at a future date.

Welcome

Anne Hedrich (President), Brad Armstrong (Vice President), Jane Erickson (Treasurer), Stephen VanGeem (Secretary), Gail Hanson (Member), Joseph Anderson (Logan Library Assistant Director)

Welcome the Logan Library Assistant Director

Joseph Anderson, the Assistant Director, is now the Logan Library representative on the Executive Board of the Friends of the Logan Library.

Approval of August meeting minutes

Jane makes a motion to approve November minutes, Brad seconded. All agree.

Treasurer's Report

Presentation by Jane Erickson

Annual balance is \$10, 701.33 in the FoLL account and \$158.76 in the Cache Valley Storytelling Festival account.

FoLL paid \$734.82 to the Logan Library in order to reimburse them for a set of children's chairs.

Jane makes a motion to approve Treasurer's Report, Stephen seconded. All agree.

Speaker Report

Presentation by Anne Hedrich and Brad Armstrong

Anne invited Steve Walker to talk about his bicycle trip around the world. He will be the January speaker.

Brad will be gone April 17 through April 25 and the third Wednesday of the month is April 18. Brad has asked to relinquish responsibility of the April speaker to Gail Yost who has proposed Reanne Thayne, a local romance author, in the past. He will reach out to Gail after the meeting to let her know that she's in charge.

When Brad becomes President in March, he would like the responsibility of organizing a speaker to fall to the Executive Board as a whole. He proposed that the board will meet at the end of a speaker presentation to brainstorm the next speaker.

Brad talked to a representative from the Summer Citizen Speaker Series and proposed collaborating with them on a speaker for July.

Brad also talked to Tammy Proctor after her presentation last year, and she mentioned that the USU History Department just hired an expert on the Treaty of the League of Nations. Brad said we could bring her in to talk about her expertise on the 100-year anniversary of the end of the war which we be in November 2019. He said that he'd talk to this faculty member after Spring Break.

Membership Report

Report by Anne for Membership Manager Sheldon Miller

We have 53 memberships in the FoLL. Anne and Sheldon recently put together a "Come Back" email and sent it out to former FoLL members.

Brad said that a former member contacted him to say that he joined primarily for the Book Sale deals. He complained that the quality of the books at the most recent sales have gone down because those that help to set up keep putting the best books aside. Brad wants to come up with a better reward system for those that help set up so that Members will have a fair opportunity to get some of the better books too.

Jane asked that we include literature that says "brought to you by the Friends of the Logan Library" in each fabric book bag that the library gives out when patrons check out multiple books. Joseph said that he just opened a box of book bags the other day so he knows that we don't need to order more bags in the interim.

Library Director's Report

Report by Joseph Anderson, Logan Library Assistant Director

Family Game Nights are still popular so the library may be planning them every other month. The staff also organized an "Escape Room" in the Old Ephraim Room.

Joseph thanked the FoLL for the chairs. They are easier to clean than the old ones. Purchase requests from Logan Library

The library is still interested in buying an AV cart but key staff members are still researching in order to find the best prices. A staff member checked with the state contracted sellers and found that the deals were not that great, so the library is looking beyond those options.

Jane asked if it would make more sense to install image projectors. Joseph will run the possibility of a mounted and permanent image projector by Karen, the Library Director.

Joseph mentioned that the MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) between the Friends and the library state that the library will bring the FoLL an annual "wish list" of items. Joseph doesn't think that's necessary but the Executive Board thought it would be good to discuss at the annual members meeting in order to notify the general membership.

There haven't been any singular newsworthy events but there are a lot of popular ongoing programs: Storytimes in both English and Spanish, Movie Night for all ages on Mondays, Teen Tuesdays, Chess Nights, the Reading Program for Adults, and Children's After School Activities (including the Science Club, Chess Club, Logo Club, and Engineering Club). In addition, hundreds of local organizations use the library meeting rooms.

Karen presented at the January 16 City Council Meeting in order to highlight what sort of information is used to justify the need for a new library and therefore the cost of building. The city has not purchased the property yet because new mayor, Holly Daines, is looking at options, both the availability of other potential sites and on how to purchase the recommended site for the projected cost. Once the property has been purchased, the architects can start planning around the site. If the build starts as soon as possible, it wouldn't begin until next year. Gene Needham sold the old Hostess bakery that the city was hoping would serve as a parking lot.

The books for the Book Sale are now being stored in the FoLL Book Store. Jason Cornelius is now the library employee that oversees the Library Book Sale. He may be the liaison that Brad will work with on future sales.

Future agendas should include notes about what items we have approved for future purchase.

Upcoming Dates

Discussion led by Anne

Next executive board meeting – 5:30 pm, Wednesday, February 21, Old Ephraim room

Annual Meeting and Officer Election – 7 pm, Wednesday, March 21, Jim Bridger room

Spring Book Sale – Thursday, March 22 – Saturday, March 24, Lake Bonneville room

Joseph will confirm whether that room has been reserved

New Email System for the Friends

Discussion led by Anne

Anne would like to have an email that is not her personal email to use for FoLL correspondence. She thought we could have "Friends.President@gmail.com", "Friends.VicePresident@gmail.com", etc. Brad suggests a single email address that is shared "Friends.Officers@gmail.com" or something like that.

Transition to New Board

Discussion led by Anne

Along with figuring out a new email system, it might make sense to clarify communication roles.

The next board might want members to renew on a calendar basis.

United for Libraries

Open discussion led by Brad

United for Libraries has an \$850 grant for travel to the United for Libraries Annual Conference. Brad applied for it and will update us with information moving forward. There's only one grant for the entire nation, so it may be very competitive.

Anne proposed that we table the rest of the discussion for next meeting.

Around the Table

Open discussion led by Anne

Anne proposed collaborating with other Friends groups. Brad thought it would be great to co-sponsor something with the Friends of the Merrill-Cazier Library. He thinks highly of their speaker series.

Adjourn

Brad moved that we adjourn. Jane seconded. All agree.

6:40 p.m. January 17, 2018