

**Friends of the Logan Library
2018 Annual Membership Meeting and Election
Old Ephraim Room, Logan Public Library
7:11 pm, Wednesday, March 21
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), Sheldon Miller (Member), Joseph Anderson (Logan Library Assistant Director)

Introduction of Friends organization and current board members

Anne Hedrich (President), Brad Armstrong (Vice President), Joseph Anderson (Logan Library Assistant Director), Stephen VanGeem (Secretary), Jane Erickson (Treasurer), Chad Hutchings (Registered Agent/General Council)

Approval of Last Annual Meeting Minutes

Approved Annual Meeting minutes over email.

Treasurer's Report

Presentation by Jane Erickson

Our previous annual balance in October was \$11,406.15 in the Friends account and \$158.76 in the Cache Valley Storytelling Festival account. The current account balance is \$9,200.83 in the FoLL account and \$158.76 in the Cache Valley Storytelling Festival account.

Gail Hanson makes a motion to approve Treasurer's Report, Sheldon seconded. All agree.

Membership Report

Report by Anne Hedrich for Membership Manager Sheldon Miller

We have 54 memberships. Sheldon sent out a renewal request over email to all the lapsed members in January and we got 2 renewals.

We discussed how to make renewal easier for current memberships.

Library Director's Report

Report by Joseph Anderson, Logan Library Assistant Director

Since October, the Library held a Writer's Conference in January. Joseph estimates that the Children's Department puts on over 400 events a year. The Library still holds Teen Tuesdays every week, and has continued Adult Events, including Helicon West, Chess Night, Movie Mondays, healthy relationship seminars, Family Game Nights. The Library also hosts up to 70 groups over the course of year, including local non-profits, study groups, crafting groups, the

Cache Valley Community Writing Center, and the refugee support service prior to moving into their own facility.

Karen Clark has regular meetings with the new Mayor, Holly Daines, and is attending the weekly Department Heads meeting for local government agencies.

Friends bought two shopping carts for patrons to use, along with over-the-arm baskets. The Friends also pledged money for a new AV cart.

President's Report: the Year in Review

Report by Anne

Since late October, we had one quarterly speaker--Steven Walker--in January. Mr. Walker talked about his bicycle trip around the world, and we drew 14 attendees.

He came back for an encore in February, which drew a smaller attendance.

Nelda Ault-Dysin attended our January meeting and talked about service learning up at Utah State University. She suggested that we could put in a request for social media aid. We have yet to commit but are considering it.

We are planning to join United for Libraries in the coming weeks.

We did not have a Bylaws Review since the last meeting because of the shortened time period.

The focus of this year was to stabilize the Friends and get it organized. Sheldon said that the current board has done a marvelous job at stabilizing the friends.

We approved \$1,450 for a new AV Cart for the Library, \$1,110.50 for cloth book bags with logos, \$300 for the shopping carts and baskets, and \$734.82 for a set of children's chairs.

Presentation of Nominees for Ballot for Officers for 2018-2019

Introductions by each candidate

Sally Bishop has been nominated for Vice President/President Elect and was unable to attend due to illness. Anne read a prepared statement. Stephen VanGeem is up for re-election for Secretary. Gail Hanson has been nominated for Treasurer, and introduced herself and listed her qualifications.

Voting for 2018-2019 Officers

Tallied by Joseph Anderson

All three candidates are unanimously elected.

Ways to participate in the Friends group

Discussion led by Anne

Sheldon asked Joseph why Utah public library holdings are no longer in WorldCat.org. According to Joseph, former Logan Library Director Robert Shupe decided it wasn't worth the cost but he doesn't know why other public libraries are not included.

Anne introduced the idea of putting together Program Boards for the speaker series as a way to get members more involved in the Friends. Brad suggested putting a public engagement committee together to work more closely with the Library or with other non-profit organizations with similar interests. He recommended that we keep it separate from the program committee since they

will have different mandates. Gail recommended reaching out to local PTAs and getting tables at back-to-school nights in order to raise our visibility.

Joseph asked if there's any way for this organization to accept a direct deposit from someone as a way to address membership renewal. Anne recommends listing specific items so that people can pledge for those specific needs. Joseph said that there will be a lot of opportunities for that with the new library.

Individual donations could be commemorated on paver stones, benches, adopt-a-shelves, and more. Anne mentioned a program that her church uses (called Blue Fire) when taking instantaneous donations during collections and recommended that we research it more.

Sheldon recommended mailing brochures out as a way to get renewals to come back. The cost would primarily be for envelopes and stamps, but we'd need to figure out whether it's cost-effective.

Adjourn

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

8:16 p.m. March 21, 2018