

Friends of the Ogdensburg Public Library

Meeting 5/9/18

Attendees: Tom Lawrence, Treasurer, Jo-Ellen Murray, Secretary, Penny Kerfien, Director, Laura Pearson, Cheryl Ladouceur, Lin Griffin, Thomas Robarge and Mark Jacobs.

Meeting opened at 7:10pm

Minutes of April Meeting:

Treasurer's Report: In the checking account we have \$17983.34, and in the savings we have \$4320.67. We have been doing a brisk membership drive this year \$4310 so far. T. Lawrence suggested we move \$10,000 from our checking to savings to earn some interest. It was suggested that we move the savings to a Dunn-Glass annuity, which make more interest (about 3.75%) Tabled until we have information and we will vote on it at the next meeting.

C. Ladouceur moved to accept treasurer's report, M. Jacobs seconded – Carried.

Old Business:

Membership: We have 95 members who have renewed and about 8 new members. Discussion followed about contacting previous members who have stopped responding. Maybe we could make phone calls as a reminder.

Book Sale Report: We made \$1465.24 profit. A little below average in general. *L. Griffin motioned to accept report, C. Ladouceur seconded – carried.*

Brochure: Two different versions were presented. Discussion followed- what to do to keep the forms a uniform size (which is a must). Laura asked Penny to speak to the board about the Friends benefits we would like to provide. Discussion tabled.

Community Garage Sale: Mark Jacobs explained about the advertisement he will place on Craigslist for us –May 25 from 9-5 and May 26 from 9-5. \$10 for a 20x20 space. Rain or shine.

New Business:

Funding Requests: Adult summer reading prizes \$100/ Adult crafts (monthly) \$100/ Adult program (50's&60's music) \$375. Total \$575. *T. Lawrence motioned to provide requests, C. Ladouceur seconded – carried.*

Committee Info: K. Farr and T. Robarge will be the newsletter committee. Otherwise there won't be formal committees at this time.

Artist Book Signing idea: K. Lawrence has some great ideas. Laura will try to get Maggie Wheeler to come and do a book signing. C. Ladouceur suggested we see who the schools get to come for children's literature book signings.

Mini-golf: We would like to make this happen, and will be doing more research on it, maybe for next winter.

Next book sales: dates were set for July 19, 20, 21, 22 through July 27. And Fall- October 18, 19, 20 and 27.

Funfest: Much discussion followed. C. Ladouceur will ask the SPCA if they would like to do a dog and cat adopt event on that day. We will do the petting zoo again- L. Griffin will talk to Carla Trimm. We will go with a wild west theme – dress as cowboys and maybe have a photo board so people can take their pictures. L. Griffin will contact the clown again and maybe we can get her for 2 hours this year – permission given to go ahead and book her. L. Griffin said we can borrow the bounce house from the Garden Club again. There will be 2 pools this year. One for the ever-popular fishing and the other for a duck pond (chance to win a free book). We also need to have a Friends table. We will vote next time on how much to spend on this event.

T. Lawrence read a note of correspondence.

L. Griffin mentioned that we each try to clean up the Library Park when we get a chance to work back there.

T. Lawrence motioned to adjourn meeting, C. Ladouceur seconded, carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Next meeting: June 13