



**MINUTES OF THE FMPL MEETING ON
THURSDAY, November 19 6:30 p.m.**

In attendance: Holly Collar, Kris Peters, Paula Gregg, Paul Gregg, Ian Simpson, Margaret Lautenschlager, Elizabeth Moeller, Deloris Clausen, Diane DuFour, Deanna DeBruin, Ann-Marie Karweick, Bill Collar, and ET. ET took the notes for Patti Lipp.

Margaret called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Margaret reviewed the time clock reminders.

1. Margaret went over the ground rules for the meeting.
2. There were no additions or changes to the agenda.
3. Summary of October 15, 2015 minutes. Ian made a motion to accept the minutes and Holly seconded. The motion carried.
4. Treasurer's Report. Deanna DeBruin submitted the report. Holly made a motion to accept the report and Elizabeth M. seconded. The motion carried. Deanna went ahead and shared the revenue summary of wine event 2014 versus the wine event 2015 revenue summary. There was a dramatic increase in revenue this year. Thanks everyone! Also, we treasure our Treasurer. Taking all those disparate numbers and synthesizing them is hard work. Her reports are terrific to read as they are detailed and clear. Thanks DD!!
5. Committee, Activity and Events Reports
 - Chocolate Bars, a run was made on November 4. Thanks, Deloris.
 - Membership, no news.
 - Book Sale—set up was today at noon. Please sign up to help at front counter, we have a couple of open shifts. ET will be at a meeting in Hortonville on Friday afternoon. Things to distribute at the sale: leftover amaryllis bulbs, leftover Seroogy's candy boxes, FMPL notebooks, FMPL pens
 - Birthday Club—status quo
6. Old Business @ your library
 - 1) Progress with marquee report—Paul Gregg is ready!! He plans on implementation next week.
 - 2) Anime Halloween Report—54 happy campers attended on Halloween. Colette did a great job and had a wonderful time along with an additional hour due to the time change! Thanks to FMPL for underwriting!

3) Wine Event Results

- 14? Could be ELEPHANTS HAVE LONG MEMORIES theme, celebrating the successes of the last 14 years of our library. Doxbee's would have to be booked. ML said she would do. Ask for larger room.
- Brochure, seems wasteful. Oodles left over. Brainstorming began of new ways to offer sponsorship.
- Sound System. Ugh. Would like to keep Jeffrey Crooks as an m.c. Do more with a power point presentation made on site. This power point could include basket winners and totals as well as sponsors on a continuous loop.
- Word games, Fail. But that was okay, people were visiting. Perhaps just conversation starters on tables?
- Baskets, Wonderful, so proud of the talent and generosity. They always look super terrific and this year did very, very well. One thought: a "buy now" option at next year's event?
- Raffles: ET showed article that was in the paper and listed the raffles and the winners. There was an unfortunate incident that the chirping cardinal from Patti's winter scene was stolen and never made it to the winner, Francine Garvey, owner of Sissy's.
- Glasses, kudos to Ian for packing these up and inventorying at the end of the night. This help was very appreciated. Some discussion about both glasses and space and how to improve with these.
- Lions' contribution. Not only did they serve the beer, they donated it! Thank you Seymour Lions Club! Wow! Just a note for next year, craft is too high in alcohol for our needs.
- Other feedback? Members present said it was a great time again! YAY!

4) City Clerk retirement, ET sent around a thank you that Sue Garsow wrote to FMPL.

7. New Business @ your library

1) Christmas Tree at the Museum. Library staff has preparations under way. Paula made a motion that we contribute \$35 to the Seymour Historical Society and Deloris seconded. The motion carried. Bill said he would put lights on the library tree. Holly and ET agreed that Bill "lights up" their lives!!! Bill took the moment to acknowledge ET and Patti Lipp's participation in the Haunted House. Fun! Fun!

- 2) Purchasing of books for Christmas Raffle. ET and ML will be day tripping to Reader's Loft on December 5 to purchase the books and then come back to the library and set up the raffle. Holly made a motion that they spend up to \$400 for the raffle and Ian seconded. The motion carried. Thanks to FMPL for this sweet gesture to our community.
- 3) Legislative Day, 2016 is set for February 9, 2016. With no December meeting we do not have a lot of time to plan so we discussed now. ML wants to attend with ET. Bobbie Buchholtz will be joining us possibly. And DD is interested. ET will register and organize. Bill made a motion that FMPL cover expenses incurred and Deanna seconded. The motion passed. This is our annual opportunity to fulfill the advocacy goal of FMPL.

8. Wish List

ET requested monies for Game of Thrones music CDs and the Barnes & Noble online shopping event supporting Seymour schools. Holly made a motion that \$300 be given to the library for this wish and Ann-Marie seconded. The motion carried. Thanks, FMPL!

9. Inspiration. ET circulated a picture of Sandy Heiden's grandchildren playing with the Magnatiles that she won. I am inserting it here with another one received after the meeting! ☺ This is what we do it all for!! The children, future readers and creators!

10. Adjournment

At 7:45 Bill made a motion to adjourn and Deanna seconded. The motion carried.

Happy Holidays, all! Our next meeting will be on Thursday, January 21, 2016. See you next year!

