

Friends of the Victoria Public Library (FOVPL)
Membership Meeting – August 27, 2015
5:00 PM

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order: Cliff Sheffield called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.
- II. Invocation/Blessing: Bobby Atkins gave the blessing.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance: Cliff led us in the Pledge.
- IV. Statements & Organizational Matters: None.
- V. Approval of the July Minutes: Cliff motioned to approve the July 2015 Minutes. Lamont Brand seconded. The Minutes were approved.
- VI. Approval of the August Treasurer's Report
Cliff motioned we rollover the two CDs maturing on 08-30-15. Lamont seconded. The motion passed.
Cliff motioned to approve the August 2015 Treasurer's Report. Betsy Sheffield seconded. The Treasurer's Report was approved.
- VII. Organizational Reports:
 - A. Victoria Public Library (VPL) Report
Cliff spoke with Donna Pulliam (Director, LCPLS) about allowing us to improve the basement area so it can be used for storage. She is currently opposed.
Cliff spoke with her about allowing us to make other storage arrangements, such as placing a shed next to the current shed. She is also not happy with that idea, but said if the Trustees approve it, then she is fine with it.
 - B. LCPLS Trustee Report
The Trustees will meet Friday, August 28, at 6:00 p.m. at Ripberger Public Library. Currently, their schedule is to meet the fourth Friday of each month at 6:00 p.m., alternating between libraries.
 - C. July 25 Silent Auction and Bake Sale Fundraiser Report
Trudy Berry reported that we had \$569 in auction proceeds and \$118.25 in bake sale proceeds. Sue Wright, Treasurer, stated that she had \$369 for the auction and \$219.25 for the bake sale, including the \$100.00 seed money to provide change. Trudy said she will check her figures and report back to Sue.

VIII. Committee Reports

A. Bylaws Committee

Lamont reported that there was not much on the Library of Virginia's website regarding age restrictions, and that he will be calling a meeting of the committee.

B. Fundraising Committee

1. October 17 Autumn Day New & Used Book and Yard Sale

The Town of Victoria is including a Yard Sale in their Autumn Day event and we are currently in limbo with what books are available to us, so we scratched this event.

Sean Au made a motion that we have a raffle. Betsy seconded. The motion passed. Cliff appointed Sean to the Fundraising Committee and Sean will head this fundraiser on this date, outside the library, to raffle off two \$25 Visa gift cards.

Sean made a motion to purchase two \$25 Visa gift cards. Lamont seconded. The motion passed.

2. Building Fund Committee – Basement Assessment

See VPL Report above.

3. Library/Health Department Food Policy

Trudy asked if the Library of Virginia can legally withhold state aid if we are legally exempt from this state regulation. Trustee Ollie Wright and FOVPL President Cliff Sheffield worried that questioning the legality of their action would only stir up trouble. There was no further discussion.

C. Children's Activities Committee

1. Scary Story Night: Halloween falls on a Saturday

Cliff appointed Bobby Atkins, Donna Daniel, and Shannon Lewis to a committee to arrange this event for one evening preceding Halloween.

2. Pre-School Children's Story Hour

Cliff spoke with Donna about this and she does not want us to do this. She wants us to do a pre-school activity.

Sean spoke with Donna about allowing him to lead a Paws for Reading program and she said it would be six months before she could begin training volunteers.

D. Historical Committee

Trudy makes available at meetings and events a sign-in notebook and Membership Applications as well as copies of the Bylaws, past Minutes and Treasurer's Reports, a list of future meeting dates and events, and the Friends brochure.

Sue has two scrapbooks and she has cut out the Silent Auction ad from the newspaper. She will work on this project over the next few months.

Cliff appointed Aggi Villalobos, Cindy Foley, and Sue Wright to this committee.

IX. Old Business

A. Meeting Room Reservations

Cliff has reserved the room for our meetings the rest of this calendar year and will reserve the room for Scary Story Night and for our meetings and events for the next year.

1. 2015 Meetings: Sep 24; Oct 22; Nov 19
2. 2015 Events: 30ish (Scary Story Night)
3. 2016 Meetings: Jan 28; Feb 25; Mar 24; Apr 28; May 26; Jun 23; Jul 28; Aug 25; Sep 22; Oct 27; Nov 17
4. 2016 Events: Jul 22 (set up for Silent Auction); Jul 23 (Silent Auction); Oct 15 (Fundraising Event)

B. Bats Educational Program Update

Cliff has not heard back from anyone and Kenbridge was not aware of this program.

C. Disposition of the Books stored in the Caddis Building

This item tabled until we settle the storage problem and Donna has time to review the books in storage.

D. Selling Tickets for Fundraisers Update: Just a reminder that we must sell our own tickets and not ask to use library staff time to sell tickets.

E. SRL Audit, and Property and Resources Disposition Update: No update since last Trustee meeting on July 24.

F. Paper and Printer Ink/Toner for Gallion-Elder

Lamont motioned we approve reimbursing Gallion-Elder \$204.38 as a portion of the cost of printer toner. Betsy seconded. The motion passed. Sue wrote a check.

G. 501(c)3 Status: Trustee Ollie Wright explained that we (FOVPL) are not a 501(c)3 organization, but a tax-exempt one. Due to an oversight, paperwork was not filed on time, but it is being rectified and we have nothing to worry about.

X. New Business

A. New Member Applications

Amy Hewitt submitted her application and paid her \$1 dues. Lamont motioned we approve her membership. Sean seconded. The motion passed.

B. Revisit Contribution to Cleaning Personnel

Trustee Ollie Wright explained that the \$100 per month for one extra day per week of cleaning includes the same amount of time as the other day and library and the same cleaning duties. Sue paid five months (\$500) in advance.

XI. Other Business: None.

XII. Adjournment: Cliff motioned we adjourn. Betsy seconded. The motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.