

**Friends of the Victoria Public Library (FOVPL)
Membership Meeting – September 24, 2015
5:00 PM**

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order: Cliff Sheffield called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.
- II. Invocation/Blessing: Bobby Atkins gave the blessing.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance: Cliff led us in the Pledge.
- IV. Statements & Organizational Matters
Parliamentarian Affairs: Members vote only to elect Directors to the Board; therefore, they do not make or second motions. The President calls for motions and may make or second motions, but votes only to break a tie. Trudy Berry advised that the Bylaws were changed to allow members to vote on Bylaws changes, but that is contrary to our charter; therefore, the Bylaws will be amended to align with the Charter.
- V. Approval of the August Minutes: Lamont Brand motioned to approve the August 2015 Minutes. Betsy Sheffield seconded. The Minutes were approved.
- VI. Approval of the September Treasurer's Report:
Sue Wright advised that the Silent Auction, Bake Sale, and member dues figures were reconciled and the figures on the September Treasurer's Report reflect that.
Cliff motioned to approve the September 2015 Treasurer's Report. Lamont Brand seconded. The Treasurer's Report was approved.
- VII. Organizational Reports:
 - A. Victoria Public Library (VPL) Report
Sue Wright read the thank you card that Wanda Hamlett and Susan Smith sent Friends for the monetary gift we gave them.
 - B. LCPLS Trustee Report
 1. Storage Shed Update: The Trustees will consider our request for a shed if we submit our reasoning and our plans for type and placement of structure.
 2. Website Update: No Trustee was available to update us on the website changes and improvements.
 3. Online Links and Services Update (Zinio, etc.): No Trustee was available to update us on the availability of programs, such as Zinio, that allow us to download magazines and newspapers.

VIII. Committee Reports

- A. Bylaws Committee: No meeting has been held, but one will be scheduled soon.
- B. Fundraising Committee – Autumn Day (Oct 17): Sean was not available to report, but Sue Wright said she will get the two \$25 VISA gift cards.

C. Children’s Activities Committee

1. Scary Night: Dropped due to time constraints.
2. Head Start Story Time: Dropped due to lack of library interest.
3. Bats Educational Program Update: Dropped due to lack of company’s interest.

Cliff Sheffield advised that background checks performed by the schools will suffice for library use/verification.

- D. Historical Committee: Sue Wright will work on the photo albums and scrapbooks.
- E. Building Fund Committee: No current plans for building upgrades or improvements.

IX. Old Business

A. Meeting Room Reservations

1. 2015 Events: Scary Story Night – Dropped (see VIII C 1).
2. 2016 Meetings: The meeting room has been reserved for all 2016 meetings.
3. 2016 Events: Silent Auction and Autumn Day Events not reserved yet.

X. New Business

A. Meeting Room Carpet Replacement

The carpet in the meeting room has come unglued and is causing a safety hazard because it is rippled. Claude Otey (not present at this meeting) provided a quote from The Carpet House. Donna prefers to go with their Option 2 for the 28 oz. carpet for \$3,437.00 rather than the 26 oz. for \$3,361.00. Claude offered to pay \$2,500.00 from the money raised at his weekly Saturday Night Music event, and Donna would like the Friends to pay for the remaining \$937.00.

Sue Wright motioned to pay up to \$1,000.00 upon the approval of the Lunenburg County Public Library Trustees and Victoria Town Council. Bobby Atkins seconded the motion. The motion passed.

B. Fundraising, Events, and Other Purposes

Lamont Brand suggested that we put all requests for fundraising, events, and other purposes, such as the purchase of a shed, in writing. The Board agreed.

- XI. Other Business: None
- XII. Adjournment: Cliff Sheffield motioned we adjourn. Lamont Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Attendance List

Board of Directors

Cliff Sheffield, President
Lamont Brand, Vice President
Trudy Berry, Secretary
Sue Wright, Treasurer
Betsy Sheffield, Director

Members

Bobby Atkins
Amy Hewitt