

Prairie City Library Board Meeting Minutes

Sept. 13, 2016

Meeting called to order by Linda Frazier at 6 pm. Members present: Linda Frazier, Arnie Sohn, Ginny Dalton, Jennifer Ladehoff (arrived 6:25), Sue Ponder and guest Emily Simmons from Friends of the Library

Motion by Arnie to approve the minutes from August meeting. Second by Ginny. Motion carried.

Emily reported that the Friends group has agreed to purchase a diaper changing station for the library restroom. Motion by Arnie to accept the gift. Second by Ginny. Motion carried. The board sends its thanks to the Friends for this purchase.

Emily also reported that the Friends group has voted to offer \$4500 to help pay for the architect's first plan drawings when the Board gets to the point of having this done. Discussion was held that before we ask for plans to be drawn up, a public meeting should be held to give the patrons an opportunity to give their input on the ideas the Board has already received from the consultant and architects. The citizens should also be given an opportunity to share their thoughts on what a larger library should offer/include. Sue will contact Maryann at the State office to see if there are people available to help run a public meeting like this. The board discussed that having a meeting like this will give us more information as we plan and also be valuable for applying for grants in the future.

Sue also shared that Maryann is recommending that the Prairie City Library Board wait until at least spring of 2017 to begin the Planning for Results process. This is the date that makes the most sense considering when our accreditation happens. We are currently fine until June of 2020.

Sue reported that Mary Sellers has met with her to let her know that their Uri Sellers foundation has decided to donate some of its money to the library. She asked for a "wish list." Discussion was held and some ideas were: handicap door openers, fireproof drop box, drop box for dvd's, money to help with architect plan.

The board reviewed the updated circulation policy. Motion made by Jennifer, second by Ginny to accept the new policy. Motion carried.

Sue is looking for ideas for fall programs.

Each board member was given a ring binder containing the Iowa Library Trustees' Handbook. Members are encouraged to read through this and plan to discuss at future meetings.

Oct. meeting was scheduled for Oct. 11 at 6 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm

Linda Frazier