

FRIENDS OF THE VICTOR FARMINGTON LIBRARY

April 3, 2024

Annual Members Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Patty Bascomb, Marian Norton, Rebecca Donovan, Kathy Jewsbury, Debbie Keeley, Corey Klein, Tim Niver, Cassie Jones, Jess Pritchard, Connie Krauza, Maureen Krenzer

Call to order: President Patty Bascomb called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Approval of April 5, 2023 Minutes: Cassie Jones moved to approve the April 5, 2023 minutes. Connie Krauza seconded, and the motion was carried.

Report from Library Director Tim Niver: Tim thanked the Friends for their support throughout the past year. Tim reported that the Victor Farmington Library has adopted a new logo, which can be seen on the Library newsletter, and that a Friends version will be provided. The Library will move toward the acronym "VFL", and the new tagline is "Beyond Books". A new website is in the design stages now, and will launch later this year as VFL.com. Tim also reported on the Main Street grant application; unfortunately, landscaping is not covered by the grant, but signage is covered. The Library will continue to work with the Friends to decide on the best use of the bequest received by the Friends in 2023.

Treasurer's Year-End Report: Marian Norton presented the 2023-24 year-end financial report. The checking account balance was \$4,116.27 and the savings account balance was \$35,327.98. Book sales generated \$10,736.50, and we received \$905.19 in donations, in addition to the \$25,000 bequest. Annual expenses slightly exceeded annual income, but was offset by interest income. Connie Krauza moved to accept the Treasurer's report, Debbie Keeley seconded, and the motion was carried.

Proposed Budget: Marian presented the Proposed 2024-25 Budget, informed by actual income and expenses from last year, including the need for rented space for used book collection. As book sale profits were revised, the budget for Library Wishes is set at \$7,500. Marian reminded members that voting to approve the budget reduces the need to approve purchases. Marion noted that the required 990-N tax return for 2023 is due between April and August 2024. Maureen Krenzer moved to accept the Proposed 2024-25 Budget, Corey Klein seconded, and the report was accepted unanimously.

Annual Report of Activities: Patty Bascomb spoke about the activities that the Friends sponsored or participated in from April 2023 through March 2024, noting the new Climb Aboard Victor event, which was extremely successful and well-attended.

Proposed Calendar of Events 2024-25: Patty Bascomb presented the proposed calendar of events, noting that activities are similar to last year. Tacos, Trails & Ales and the Summer Concert Series will be staffed provided that we have volunteers willing to participate. Connie Krauza moved to accept the Proposed 2024-25 Calendar of Events, Jess Pritchard seconded, and the Calendar was approved unanimously.

Election of Officers: The President, Vice President and nominee Cassie Jones were excused. Secretary Rebecca Donovan read the proposed slate of officers: Patty Bascomb as President, Kathy Jewsbury as Vice President, Cassie Jones as Secretary, Rebecca Donovan as Treasurer. Rebecca asked for other nominations from the floor. As there were no other nominations, Rebecca asked for a motion to accept the slate as one ballot. Marian Norton moved to accept the slate of officers, Connie Krauza seconded, and the slate was accepted.

Adjournment: Patty Bascomb adjourned the Annual Meeting at 7:00 p.m., followed immediately by the Monthly Members Meeting.