

Approved 04/22/2021
FRIENDS OF EPLS KEYSTONE
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 18, 2021 6:30 p.m.
Municipal Village Bldg. – Book Sorting Room

Members Present

Patti Baker; Kathy Burrer; Linda Chapin; Ray Dill; Eileen French; Mary Karleskint; Cindy Klinect; Sue Lewis; Aaron McElwain; Sandra McElwain; Margaret Miller; Marianne Sommerfelt; Iris Tewksbury; Wendi Zwaduk

CALL TO ORDER

Aaron McElwain, President, called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

Approval of Minutes from February 18, 2021 Meeting – Mary Karleskint, Secretary

Wendi Zwaduk made a motion to approve the February 18, 2021 minutes. Kathy Burrer seconded the motion. Vote on the Motion: Unanimous Approval.

Mary Karleskint announced that the approved minutes from meetings of the Friends of the EPLS Keystone will be posted on the EPLS Website under the navigation tab “Support Us”.

REPORTS

President’s Report – Aaron McElwain

Update on Friends of EPLS Keystone Meeting Location – Aaron announced that the Friends will be meeting in the Village Municipal Building Book Sorting Room until the library conference room in the Keystone Branch is opened up for public use.

Update on Friends’ Office in the Library – Aaron reported that Lyn dropped off the key fob, and provided him with the passcode, for the Friends’ Office in the Keystone Library. Members may contact Aaron when they need the key to access the office.

Treasurer’s Report – Iris Tewksbury

Iris reported that the treasury balance at the end of February was \$24,684.08.

Membership Report – Wendi Zwaduk

The Friends gave a warm welcome to their newest member, Sue Lewis, present at the meeting tonight.

Wendi gave an updated report on the number of members we have for 2021 - Currently, we have 15 life-time members; 19 yearly members (2 which are brand new); and 4 corporate members (2 which are brand new – Z-Graphics by Jan and Old Time Candy).

Wendi informed the Friends that she has a volunteer list with members names and what they are interested in helping out with this year. She will update the list as members volunteer throughout the year.

Aaron thanked Wendi for the spreadsheets she created with membership information.

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Sunshine Committee Report – Linda Chapin

Linda reported that a sympathy card was mailed to George Klocek and family. Linda did have an opportunity to speak with George about the library memorial in honor of his wife Mary. At that time, George asked Linda to extend his thanks to the Friends for the card and their generous donation of money. During the Sunshine Committee Report, the Friends did discuss the importance of making sure the Sunshine fund has enough funds in it to purchase funeral floral arrangements.

OLD BUSINESS

Book Collection and Sorting – Eileen French

Eileen reported that the Friends have been collecting books at all of their community collection sites. The Friends may need to update the names of authors on their author book collection lists. They are continuing to keep track of books that they are collecting for their book sale. For now, the Friends are meeting the first and third Mondays of the month to sort books at the Village Municipal Building. The next sorting date is Monday, April 5, 2021.

Books and Brunch September 2021 – Wendi Zwaduk

Wendi made a motion to hold the Books and Brunch on Saturday, September 25, 2021 with the setup date of Friday, September 24, 2021. Margaret Miller seconded the motion. Vote on the motion: Unanimous Approval. Wendi mentioned that the Friends will be keeping the same theme that they planned on for last year, “Where the Journey Leads”. The Health Department was already paid for last year’s event that didn’t happen due to Covid-19. We need to resubmit the paperwork.

Movie Night 2021 – Aaron McElwain

Aaron reported that the Friends may be able to hold the Movie Night late summer; however, we don’t have much information at this time. EPLS does have a projector and screening. The event can be held at the Lions Club. Slyman’s would come out with a food truck. Aaron will try to iron out more details.

2021 Friends’ Calendar of Events Updated

Mary Karleskint updated the 2021 Friends’ Calendar of Events with a couple of changes that were made at the meeting in February. However, the calendar will be a work in progress because of the uncertainty with Covid-19 and regulations on group gatherings. Wendi suggested that a month-to-month report of events be emailed to the Friends so the group can stay on track with the dates.

2021 Book Sale (November 15-16 Set Up; November 18-21 Sale)

Book Drive Up and Drop Off Collection Date April 24, 2021 and Community Garage Sale Weekend – The Friends solidified the date (April 24) and time (9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon) with the Village for the book drive through and drop off to be held by the front entrance drive of the municipal building. Wendi asked the Friends to let her know if they are interested in

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helping out. Another donation drop-off day will be scheduled in June to coincide with the community garage sale weekend.

The Friends asked that a thank you card be sent to Lisa and Kathy Fox thanking them for their generous donation of the mobile book cart for use in the book sorting room and on donation collection days.

Advertisement for the New Library

Wendi placed an advertisement in the Rural Urban Records announcing the April 24 drive through book donation day. One of the new members (Tori McConaughy) is interested in helping out with advertising.

Friends' Facebook Page Wendi Zwaduk

The new hours of operation for the library were posted on the Friends' Facebook Page. Wendi has been placing themes on the Friends' Facebook Page to encourage the public to visit the library. This week focused on Hoopla, audio books and Libby. Next week, the focus will be on Reading Across America and Women's History Month. Wendi also posted that the Friends are collecting books at community collection sites and are holding a drive through book drop-off day on April 24th at the Village Municipal Building.

NEW BUSINESS

In Memory of Mary Klocek

The Friends discussed a couple ideas recommended for the library memorial (at the Keystone Library Branch) in honor of Mary Klocek. Kathy Burrer made a motion that the Friends purchase a picnic table and bird feeder. Linda Chapin seconded the motion. Vote on the Motion: Unanimous Approval. The funds will be taken out of the Friends' beautification line item (that was previously budgeted for this year) to purchase the picnic table and bird feeder.

Membership Tree

Aaron will coordinate with Lyn in the putting up of the Friends Membership Tree in the Keystone Library Branch.

ADJOURNMENT

Wendi Zwaduk made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Iris Tewksbury seconded the motion. Vote on the motion: Unanimous Approval. Aaron McElwain, President, adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Mary Karleskint, Secretary 04/01/2021