Friends of the Mount Carroll District Library NFP

December 1, 2020

Present: Anna Gray, Catherine Mahaney, Alan Rosenberg, Terry Tonon, Laurel Bergren, Nancy Gmitro, Marsha Foltz, Pam Naples.

The meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m. by Anna Gray, president.

A motion was made by Catherine Mahaney and seconded by Nancy Gmitro to approve the November 3. 2020 minutes. The motion was carried.

The treasurer's report has been delayed as Catherine Mahaney has not received current statements. However, she reported that the \$25,000 check to the library's rehab and renovation fund has cleared. In addition, \$159 has been received through the sale of raffle tickets. The old checking account has an approximate balance of \$3500 and a new account has been opened which has an account balance of \$75. A treasurer's report will be sent to members as soon as Catherine receives statements.

Library Director's Report

Pam Naples reported that virtual Tot Time continues on Wednesdays at 10:00 am as well as Get Up and Move on the first Friday of the month. Diane Manikowski will be reading Christmas stories this coming Saturday. Two new programs will also be offered: The Long-Necked Sheep read by Emily Simkins 12/12/2020 and Tell Me What You Know (hosted by Gina Wilkinson) 12/10/2020 - Submarine Commanding Officer Martin McDonough tells about his time aboard a nuclear submarine!

Expansion Project Update

Laurel Bergren reported that a \$10,000 pledge has been received with the potential of becoming a \$25,000 pledge. Fund raising is going well and is just shy of \$75,000. Laurel also reported that the library board is in the process of developing donor acknowledgements according to levels of donations including a donor wall and various other methodologies.

Correspondence

Anna Gray read a letter from the library board thanking Friends for the \$25,000 donation. It will be placed in the Friends' scrapbook provided by Claudia Eiteuner.

Old Business

On Saturday, December 5 the drawing will be held for the raffle of table runners and the floral arrangement.

Thanks to Alan Rosenberg and Pam Naples for updating the Friends brochure with the new name, Zoom meeting info and photo of the \$25,000 check donation among other updates. Catherine Mahaney will be sending out the updated brochure to all members.

New Business

Anna Gray reported that the new checking account bearing the new name, Friends of the Mount Carroll District Library, NFP has been established with the help of Marsha Foltz.

Laurel Bergren stated that she cannot predict when receipt of paperwork corroborating Friends' new status as NFP from the State can be expected but she does believe notification from the IRS confirming 5013C status should be received very soon.

Anna Gray stated that Friends' meetings will continue to be conducted via Zoom for the foreseeable future.

Election of officers was held as per Friends' by laws. A motion was made by Laurel Bergren and seconded by Alan Rosenberg to approve the following slate of officers for 2021: Anna Gray, president; Catherine Mahaney, treasurer and Terry Tonon, secretary. The motion was carried.

Other Business

A discussion ensued with regard to an inquiry made of Pam Naples by an individual interested in making a \$250 contribution to the library's rehab and renovation fund who would like said donation acknowledged by having her/his name added to the donor quilt displayed in the library. It was decided that such a donation be made out to The Mount Carroll District Library Rehab and Expansion Fund and the Friends would honor it by inclusion of the donor's name on the quilt.

Laurel Bergren proposed Friends' extending a complimentary year's membership to Friends of the Mount Carroll District Library, NFP to all who donate to the library's rehab and renovation fund. After discussion, a motion was made by Catherine Mahaney and seconded by Nancy Gmitro to institute this proposal with the library board determining the minimum donation amount which would generate institution of complimentary membership. The motion was carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Next meeting will be January 5, 2021 at 6:00 pm via Zoom.