Friends of the Mount Carroll District Library

March 3, 2020

Present: Catherine Mahaney, Marsha Foltz, Alan Rosenberg, Anna Gray, Fayellen Sanetra, Diane Manikowski, Cathy Hutchcraft, Nancy Gmitro, Pam Naples, Terry Tonon

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Anna Gray, president.

A motion was made by Marsha Foltz and seconded by Alan Rosenberg to approve the February 4, 2020 minutes. The motion was carried.

Anna Gray commented that the name change will wait until the status of the organization is finally determined. Information continues to be gathered in this regard.

A motion was made and carried to accept the treasurer's report ending February 29, 2020. The motion was carried. Ending February 29, 2020, there is a total of \$6,698.65 in the checking account and \$20,864.24 in the Certificate of Deposit.

Library Director's Report

Pam Naples presented the calendar for March, 2020. Nancy Gmitro will present two programs in March: Herbal Cooking – Bread and Muffins on March 7 and All About Birds, a three part series beginning on March 19. First session will focus on identification of birds both by sight and by sound; the second session will focus on feeding and what plants will attract birds, and the third will feature a project that is yet to be fully defined. Diane Manikowski's son-in-law will again hold a cooking class on March 28. Trivia Night is set to go on March 21.

Old Business

Rotary has granted us \$400 for which we are very grateful. Terry Tonon will send a thank you card.

The storage bags for the silver set will be made up from appropriate material for silver anti-tarnish preservation. Two yards of material will be required. A motion was made by Fayellen Sanetra and seconded by Alan Rosenberg to approve funds to cover the cost of the fabric. The motion was carried.

New Business

 The library has agreed to house records of Friends of the Mount Carroll District Library. A motion was made by Terry Tonon and seconded by Marsha Foltz that Friends of the Mount Carroll District Library records be from this time forward housed in the Mount Carroll District Library. The motion was carried.

- 2. Research is continuing in terms of gathering all information necessary to make a decision as to securing defined status of the organization. The choices are being a 501c3 or a subsidiary of the library. This is important both from a tax liability and generally be on firm ground. Terry Tonon reported on the conversation with Ryan Stonnard regarding the legal status of our organization. After an initial conversation, we asked to meet with him for an hour's time to run our various ideas by him. His fee is \$195/hour. An appointment is set for March 19, 2020 at 10:00 am. A motion was made by Diane Manikowski and seconded by Alan Rosenberg to allocate \$195 to pay for one hour's legal fee for Ryan Stonnard to advise us as to our legal options. The motion was carried.
- 3. Cathy Hutchcraft reported that Bridgewater is very happy to have us hold our Tea Party on the first Saturday in December at their site. There is no cost and we can use water, etc. A discussion ensued as to the details of the event. These will be determined at a later date. It was decided that those of us who will be volunteering at the event should dress in period clothing.
- 4. Alan Rosenberg, Fayellen Sanetra, Anna Gray and Pam Naples completed the changes and updates to the brochure. A motion was made by Nancy Gmitro and seconded by Fayellen Sanetra to approve the changes to the brochure. The motion was carried.
- 5. Membership letter has been completed and will be going out this week with the brochure.
- 6. Cynthia Clampitt program will be on April 19 at 2:00 at the Community Center building. A list of volunteer activities was expressed by Anna Gray. Anna will take care of news releases and marketing of the program.
- 7. November is the month of our anniversary. A discussion ensued about when to celebrate our 15 years.
- 8. Trivia Night asks for sponsors. Allure has participated with a \$100 donation and logos will be displayed. A motion was made by Diane Manikowski and seconded by Marsha Foltz to allocate a \$100 donation to the library for Trivia Night. The motion was carried.
- 9. Anna Gray announced that as of March 13, 2020, she will be in full retirement. Congratulations, Anna!

A motion was made by Diane Manikowski to adjourn. The motion was carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, April 7, 2020, 6:00 pm, conducted virtually.

Organized in 2005, The Friends of the Mount Carroll District Library is an organization comprised of volunteers who support the library and its mission: "The mission of the Library is to serve as a gathering place and a gateway to knowledge, community resource, and opportunities for life-long learning.".