

Fergus Falls Public Library Board Meeting Minutes

06/10/2024, 5:00 p.m.

Present: President: Matt Lape, Secretary: Amber Leopold, Members At Large: Sharon Hingten, Pete Wasberg **Absent:** Sarah Thacker **Quorum present:** Yes

Library Staff/Guests Present: Library Director: Gail Hedstrom, Friends of the Library representative: Mary Waller

Call to order: Matt called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm.

Approve Agenda: Agenda reviewed and approved.

Secretary Report: Secretary's report reviewed and approved. Pete moved and Sharon seconded.

Financial Report: Gail presented the income and expenses for May 2024. The financial report from the City was reviewed. Sharon made a motion to file and Pete seconded.

Director's Report: Gail presented key points from her monthly report. Over 900 patrons signed up for the Summer Reading Program the first day of sign-up. There are 76 students involved with summer tutoring. Kid's Camp students can be tutored. Looking to get grant to provide services during the school year due to need. People counter total was higher for May due to ending on 6/3. Event scheduled with author Kevin Lovegreen.

Legislative update: Must not ban books due to viewpoint. Libraries cannot refuse to not ban book based on principle.

Art Committee: Discussion of disbanding the committee. Meetings are not being held due to issues.

FFPL Library Foundation Liaison Report: No meeting

Friends of the FFPL: Membership is down in terms of dues. Bookstore profits are up. Expecting to add another silent auction to raise money for the Friends.

Viking Library Board Report: Liaison did not attend monthly meeting.

Unfinished Business

- Challenged material letter-Sharon moved and Amber seconded the motion to go ahead with having FFPL Board Chair Matt Lape sign and mail the response to challenger.
- Social Media Policy-Pete moved to approve second reading. Sharon seconded.

New Business:

- Volunteer Policy and Guidelines-First reading completed.
- Meeting Date for November 2024-Changed to 11/18/24 from 11/11/24 due to holiday.

Meeting Adjourned: 5:58 p.m.

Next Meeting: Monday, July 8, 2024, 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amber Leopold, Secretary