

Friends of the Crown Point Community Library – Minutes – September 8, 2015

Vice President John Cotton opened the meeting at 10:00 AM.

Secretary & Treasurer Report: Secretary Rose Kendall read the minutes of the August meeting. Treasurer Donna Hill presented the June/July Financial Report with Ending Balance \$17, 122, 29 Gaming Account \$50. The Secretary's Report and the Financial Report were both accepted. No further discussion.

Book Baby Program \$1000 allocated. Tri-Kappa donated \$250. Have spent about half and given 140 books to St. Claire's, have also decided to give a bag/book/information to the library Book Babies library program, about 90 books will be set aside to be distributed at the start of the new session of Book Babies. Success is simply distribution and the positive response received. St. Claire is a one-one interaction at the baby's home – so should be successful. St. Claire has requested more inventory. Giving out at the Farmer's market has been fairly effective to draw interested to the booth and entry into other library programs. People have been 'touched' by the libraries community service efforts.

Literary Luncheon

Still need volunteers.

Centerpieces will be door prizes.

Library Director Report:

New Winfield Branch Manager will be introduced – Brenda Thompson.

The Main Library meeting room window is fixed.

Staff training on the new website design begins next week – still plan to have it available by the end of the month. There will be provisions for Friends updated info along with officer photos.

The Library is having very positive negotiation on the Winfield space. Should have more info by next meeting.

A page position will open soon.

"Old Library" has a couple potential offers, there has been a lot of interest suddenly. Potentially more info at next meeting.

Library policies are being studied, revised and approved and will be published on the website in the future.

Program/Laura Report

National Library Card Month. There is a 'peanuts' display in the lobby. Cards are free.

Bus Trip 12/3 Thursday shopping trip to downtown Chicago. Do we want to go to Water Tower or State Street location? We charge \$20 (per capita is \$17/person). Keep the charge at \$20 we usually sell out. Voted.

City Council Letter and Thank You note

Will post information Legal Memo 2015 Legislative Update on the Friends section of the website.

Program Support

October 13 High School Band is coming to play. Probably 6pm – Friends to donate \$200 to them directly. High School Band. And additional approx. \$50 funds for cookies and punch. Bob Setlack and Paul seconded. Band director wants to start a series and bring them back several times. 2 volunteers Bob Setlack and Paul will be there. To clarify - music events will be organized by the library and Friends would like to always sponsor with refreshment and host/hostess.

Mini golf will always be national library week – Saturday. Promote library

Sept 24th pizza party for Tech Service Librarian retirements Michael Sheets.

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Book Sales

Julie Wendorf has successfully provided lots of marketing at the Farmer's Market.

The decision to sell higher quality books as \$5 items is working well.

Next periodic sale will be 10/22 through 10/24. Setup Thursday 9-12, Breakdown Saturday 2)

Thursday Sale 4-7 PM, buy a bag free membership night! 10-4 on Friday. 10-2 Saturday Dollar Day

Old Business

Keep copy of volunteer sheets at front desk. Have started – should be out soon.

Friends Stationary and 501C response letters – still need to do this

Newsletters: should be distributed at Friends Meetings

Bookmarks – to be sold at book sale \$0.25 each.

We don't have a budget – maybe we need to set one up for next year. Should we consider how much we want to give our entertainers. Let the programming committee take a look at this issue.

Need to put this year's minutes on the new webpage.

New Business

Volunteer fair next year.

Next meeting 10/13

Adjourned 11:10 Paul and Bob.