

Friends of the FMB Public Library
Minutes of Annual Meeting 1-18-2022

President Betty Simpson called the meeting to order at 5:13 p.m. Other Board Members present: Marge BeJune, Jessica Hernstadt, Paula Smith, Kelly Smith, Carol Dallas, Sandra Walker, Jan Fleming and Lorrie Wolf. Not present: Eric Olson, Kim Frease and Cletus Poser. In addition, two people were in attendance.

A check for \$20,000 was presented to Circulation Director Liz Rhodes for the Library's "Wish List."

Secretary's Report: The Minutes of the Jan. 27, 2020, Annual Meeting were unanimously approved with the reading waived. (Motion by Lorrie Wolf, Second by Marge BeJune.)

Treasurer's Report: Sandra Walker advised that there was over \$20,070 in gross revenue, which came from direct donations, Drag Queen Bingo, the Book Store, the Book Sale, and public support. The Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved. (Motion by Jan Fleming, Second by Jessica Hernstadt).

Book Store/Book Sale Update: Jan Fleming advised that the Book Store is fully staffed with 26 volunteers and is open Monday through Saturday. The next Book Sale will be Feb. 26 and 27, 2022.

Membership Report: Paula Smith gave a membership update. There are 127 members and 76 are lifetime members. Incentives for membership renewals for January, February and March 2022.

Newsletter: Jessica Hernstadt advised that the next Among Friends newsletter will come out in April. The deadline for submissions is April 4. Members are encouraged to contribute to the newsletter.

By-Law Changes: Two By-Law changes were unanimously approved, to Article II, Section 1. Specifying the endowment and widening scholarships to all fields of study and establishing an Employee Educational Assistance Program. (Motion by Jan Fleming, Second by Paula Smith.)

Endowment: Jessica Hernstadt advised that the endowment at FSW reached \$50,000 for a permanent endowment to fund scholarships. The next goal is to reach \$100,000.

The **Slate of Board Members and Officers** for the upcoming year were introduced. Motion to close nominations and approve the slate unanimously approved. (Motion by Lorrie Wolf, Second by Kelly Smith.) The Officers are Betty Simpson, President; Paula Smith, Vice President; Jessica Hernstadt, Secretary; and Sandy Walker, Treasurer. Board Members are Jan Fleming, Kelly Smith, Eric Olson, Carol Dallas, Lorrie Wolf, Kim Frease and Marge BeJune.

Guest Speaker, Author Mary Tatarian was introduced by Lorrie Wolf, the Board's longest serving member. Mary Tatarian gave a wonderful presentation to those in attendance.

The next Board Meeting was scheduled for March 14, 2022 at 3:15 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.