

Friends of the Florida Public Library Meeting Monday, July 8, 2019

Members present were Bob Persing, Shirley Coughlin, Clare Kirkwood, Dot Kimiecik, Pitso Mafata, Mary Fish, Nancy Scott, Bob Scott, Mary McNally, JoAnn Schultz, Diane O'Sullivan, Madelyn Folino, Laura Fernandez, Ann Marie Kowalczyk, and Karen Thomas.

Minutes were corrected, motion to approve by, Mary Fish, seconded by Shirley.

Nancy Scott reported that Terri Gott had a computer issue and will bring treasurer's report to next meeting. \$1,220 brought in by Spring Tea. Motion to delay by Shirley and seconded by Karen.

Director Madelyn Folino reported that both summer reading program and mini book sale have started and have gone well. SRP wrap party and ice cream social will be August 2nd and will be held inside at the senior center. Still hoping to get ice cream donation from Stewart's. Program begins at 6.

Beth Verblaauw is leaving and Library is looking for volunteer for children's programs. Senator Metzger has awarded \$2000 for grants-in-aid. Library is now planning fall programs. September will be starting a focus group in regards to how the library is serving the public. They will be writing a 5 year plan with hopes of launching it in the spring.

The meeting for the Orange Library Assoc., held at Moffat on June 19, dealt with the new smoking law prohibiting smoking within 100 ft. of a library. A \$2000 fine is enforced by the Dept of Health and hopes to include vaping in the future. Still working on logistics/need for a sign designating the 100 ft. and creating a smoking area.. Director will check with town for more info.

Funding requests for Poetry Cafe totaling \$350, American Museum of Natural History Voucher Program totaling \$250, and Hudson River Maritime Museum Pass for \$100 were granted. Karen made a motion to have a bi-annual report of museum pass usage in October and May. Nancy seconded it

The date for the next book sale is October 24-27. Motion by Clare, seconded by Karen. Joann posed a question for Library Board: Could Friends who do not live in Florida have as a benefit for their membership the ability to sign up for FPL programs without being put on waiting list? Motion to adjourn by Karen seconded by Shirley. So adjourned at 7:36.

Respectfully submitted,

Clare Kirkwood

Clare reported she wrote thank you cards for Tea, coached by Diane Arcieri.

Bob thanks Meg for sending Forget-me-nots every month for meeting agenda as well as handling Spring Tea press release thank yous for newspaper.