

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
FRIENDS OF THE KIMBERLY-LITTLE CHUTE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

APRIL 29, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 am. Present: Barbara Fleming, Kathy Hermes, Carole Vanden Heuvel, Cathy Van Gompel, Marcia Trentlage, Nancy Wood, Beth Carpenter, Jim Moes, Barbara Wentzel, and Corinne Herro.

Motion by C. Vanden Heuvel, 2nd by Hermes to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2010 meeting. Motion carried.

B. Fleming reported for the absent Mary Janssen that the balance in the treasury is \$2242.44. The report was filed for audit. J. Moes and Steve Hermes comprise the audit committee. There will be a meeting on June 8 which will serve as the annual meeting. The audit committee and nominating committee will report at that meeting. It was requested that M. Janssen post the updated treasurer's report online at least one week before the June meeting as the official posting of the report. K. Hermes and B. Fleming attended a meeting in Ripon and reported that most Friends of the Library groups have a 501(c)(3) status; gifts may be given as tax exempt but it is best to have the official status. B. Carpenter reported that the Community Foundation has grants but that they require the status to award them to an organization. B. Fleming would like to apply for the status and the consensus of the group was to fill out the paperwork as best as possible and seek any additional advice needed from the Village of Kimberly's attorney or to consult with Little Chute's President Mike Vandenberg if help is needed. B. Carpenter is working on a long range plan so that FOLKS will be able to ask for funds for specific items for the library in the future.

PROGRAMS

B. Carpenter reported on a variety of programs recently completed: Fox Cities Book Festival, Community Reads, Honey Dew Drops, and the wine and cheese event. All were well attended and appreciated. She thanked the members of FOLKS for their help at the programs. C. Herro reported on upcoming programs: organizing mind and spirit, geocaching, make & take, and a concert. Costs will be low but meet & greet help will be needed. Discussion was held concerning the effectiveness of the posters in getting out the word about the programs and a variety of suggestions were made. An upcoming book sale is planned at the Kimberly library. The dates of August 4, 5, and 6 were set with hours as follows: August 4 pre-sale 3-8 pm; August 5 9 am to 7 pm; August 6 8 am to noon.

Discussion was held on the meeting dates and times for the balance of 2011. B. Carpenter reported that she would be on vacation for the June 8 meeting and recommended that a majority of the members of the FOLKS board must be in attendance in order to have a quorum at that meeting. That meeting will be at 6 pm in Little Chute. The next meeting will be September 9 at 9 am in Kimberly followed by November 4 in Little Chute. C. Herro mentioned that there are several individuals interested in participating but cannot attend daytime meetings. Changes will be considered in the future.

The agenda for the annual meeting will include: reports from the audit committee and nominating committee, election of officers, vote on bylaws, and sign up for staffing the hours for the upcoming book sale.

MEMBERSHIP

K. Hermes reported 3 new members: 1 lifetime, 1 family, and 1 individual.

Discussion was held about providing message boards for FOLKS news in both libraries. K. Hermes and B. Fleming will work with B. Carpenter on the details.

B. Carpenter distributed copies of information on advocacy for the library. Various ideas were discussed as additional possibilities for promotion and support for the library.

On a motion by M. Trentlage, 2nd by C. Van Gompel, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 am

Respectfully submitted by:

Barbara Wentzel, Acting Secretary