

# **Friends of the Fairmount Public Library**

Fairmount Public Library Back Room

June 2, 2007, 2:00 p.m.

Present: Carolyn Jones, Marilyn Roth, Diane Shutt, Andy West, Linda Magers, Diane Bruch, Joni Rich, Carol Gibson, Rita Smoot, Judy Miller, Christina Bradford, and Amos the dog. Andy West took down the minutes for this meeting.

## ***Old Business***

### **Minutes**

Minutes of May 12, 2007 were reviewed. The Junior Friends group is for grades 4-7. Joni Rich moved that the minutes be approved with this change; seconded by Diane Shutt.

### **Treasurer's Report**

The May Financial Report showed no change from May, with an ending balance of \$651.29. Marilyn Roth moved that the report be accepted; seconded by Andy West.

### **Grants**

Linda Magers reported that Marcus Winslow has agreed to wait until the next application. The Town of Fairmount board has agreed to continue sponsoring the grant. The next application will be submitted at the end of August or early September.

The grant process may change: Infrastructure may get its own category so that libraries like ours may not compete with them.

Linda will ask for donations to the building fund in order to improve our chances for grant approval. There will also be a need for a public hearing for the next application at the July Friends meeting, with a notice to be published by June 25<sup>th</sup>.

### **Cookbook - Building Fundraiser**

Joni Rich and Carolyn Jones met to choose a format for the Cookbook: The first four pages will be about the Friends; the next few pages will contain cooking measures and tips; after these come the recipes. We have 104 recipes so far, and some have yet to turn in their own. The recipes are due by Friday, June 15 to be delivered before Museum Days. There may be advertisements to pay for cookbooks, with all profits to go to the building fund. A minimum of 200 soft-cover books for \$2.90 each will be sold for ten dollars each.

## *New Business*

### **Book Review**

Refreshments in the form of a vegetable tray and water as a light snack will be served during the discussion of John Steinbeck's books on Tuesday, June 5, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the library. This is open to the community.

### **Paper Shredder**

A heavy-duty paper shredder was purchased for \$45.02; the Friends will reimburse the library.

### **Junior Friends**

The Junior Friends of the Fairmount Public Library first met at the library on Saturday, June 2, at 1:00 p.m. Officers were chosen, and members were excited about meeting and getting friends to join. Future meetings, which are open to children in grades 4-7 from Fairmount, Fairmount Township and Liberty Township, will be on the first Saturday of the month at 1:00 p.m. Linda Magers was chosen as sponsor and liaison to the adult Friends group. A grant of fifty dollars was set aside for the Junior Friends as a starter fund.

### **Publication of Notices**

The *Oak Hill Times* published news of the Fairmount Public Library and of the Friends in the columns of its May 30 issue. The *Oak Hill Times* is available at Driskill's and is more willing to publish notices from the library for free than the *News-Sun*. There was discussion of the difficulty of publishing similar notices in the *News-Sun* and whether a lot of people actually read it.

### **Annual Meeting**

The Friends need to discuss an author to speak during the Annual Meeting in December.

### ***Adjournment***

Marilyn Roth moved that the meeting adjourn at 2:50 p.m., seconded by Andy West. The next meeting will be on Saturday, July 7, 2007, at 2:00 p.m.

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