

Scenic Regional Library Foundation Board
Minutes of the July 24, 2019 Meeting
7PM, SRL-Union Branch

Present: Alice Whalen, Sandy Feldkamp, Stephanie Norton, Dot Schowe, Deb Depew, Pam Idel, Susan McKee, Steve Campbell, Michele Fehlings.

Financial report – Dot Schowe made a motion to accept the financial report as presented by Steve Campbell, Sandy Feldkamp seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of May meeting minutes - Deb Depew made a motion to accept the meeting minutes, Michele Fehlings seconded. Motion carried.

Nomination and Election of 2019-2020 Officers. Nominations were accepted. Deb Depew made a motion to (re)elect: Alice Whalen, President; Sandy Feldkamp, Vice-President; Stephanie Norton, Secretary; and Michele Fehlings, Treasurer; Susan McKee seconded. Motion carried.

Annual Report Requirement – The Foundation Bylaws state that the Foundation Board reports to the Library Board. This has not been done while any of the current Foundation Board members have served. Steve is to ask the Library Board for the items/topics they would like a report on or more information about. Alice is willing to present the report to the Library Board.

Conflict of Interest Policy Renewal – Table until the September meeting to allow the Foundation Board members to review the current policy.

Library Building Project – Union branch will be closed 08/09-08/20/19 to move to the new location. Admin offices will be closed and move 08/09-08/12/19. The Friends tour will be 08/20/19 at 7PM. Soft opening 08/21/19. Grand Opening scheduled for 09/14/19, 11AM-1PM. It will be similar to the other openings plus a DJ. The Franklin County Presiding Commissioner, Tim Brinker; Missouri State Librarian; and Secretary of State, Jay Ashcroft are scheduled to speak.

Membership update – As of 06/23/19 there are 327 FOTL members; there were 347 this time last year.

Foundation Board vacancies – Welcome Susan McKee of Beaufort for Franklin County. Unable to attend, Sheri Hausman will be our new Gasconade County representative. There is still one vacancy. Steve has a lead on a person in Owensville who was recommended by the Library Board.

Publicity – Steve shared two recent newspaper articles. The Gasconade County Republican highlighted the new digital board at the Owensville branch. The Missourian highlighted the Friends groups.

Foundation Fundraiser – Keep thinking of a fundraiser we could do regionally.

Big Read Grant update – Event will run 09/24-11/05/19. 1,875 copies of the book, Station Eleven, will be available. 50-75 copies given to each branch to be given away. The book will be used in the book

clubs. A program of events will be included with each book. Books purchased through Neighborhood Reads in Washington at a discount. Several high school English classes will be using the book in the fall curriculum. School copies were purchased through FOTL funds. The author event will be 11/05/19 at East Central College. The author will speak briefly and sign books.

Legacy brochure – Steve is asked that we continue to edit the legacy donation brochure. Pam, Alice, Sandy, and Dot volunteered to work as a committee to finalize a design for the brochure.

FOTL Donations to Other Organizations – This will not be allowable, as the funds are intended to help the library with purchases. While we encourage support of other literacy programs and the like, the funds made through donations and events to the FOTL groups are to be spent on those groups library.

Wright City Friends of the Library – There are enough members interested in the officer positions to form the FOTL. They will hold a meeting on 08/05/19 at 6PM at the Wright City Branch.

Other

- Steve attended the Owensville FOTL meeting and talked about the Foundation Board.
- Alice would like the Foundation Board to send a thank you to the Owensville FOTL group for their donation to the digital sign.
- The dinner for FOTL officers will be held at the new Union Branch in November. The date has not been set. A meal will be catered. Steve would like Alice to speak at the event. Foundation Board members are invited to attend.
- Suggestion to move the November dinner to October 19; have a lunch on a Saturday. Believe it would attract better attendance on a Saturday afternoon.
- Suggestion to have a 2nd meeting/dinner in the spring, as most FOTL groups elect new officers at that time. The “orientation” would benefit the new officers earlier in their term.

XIII. Adjourn – Sandy Feldkamp made a motion to adjourn, Michele Fehlings seconded.

The next Foundation Board Meeting will be September 25, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the *NEW* Union Branch.