

North Riverside Library Foundation

Virtual Meeting 6:30 p.m.

September 29, 2021

Call to Order: Kathleen Spale called the meeting to order at 6:44 p.m.

Roll Call: Present; Kathleen Spale, Nadia Nammari, Vera Wilt, Koula Tricoci, John Mathias, Natalie Starosta, and Marge Hook. Absent: Monica Pineda, Jeanne Eichorst, Stephanie Lancken, PJ Folz. Annette Corgiat, and Lenora Giurini.

Approval of Minutes of August 17, 2021: Vera Wilt made a motion to approve the minutes of August 17, 2021. Koula seconded, and by a voice vote, the motion passed.

Library Board-Annette Corgiat: No report at this time.

John thanked everyone that attended the Chili Cookoff, with a special thank you to Kathleen and her friend who helped out. We didn't win, but our Vegan chili was delicious.

Library- Natalie Starosta: The Library is extremely busy right now. The Book Sale room is almost finished, and should be completed by next week. When it is finished, they will have an opening, and will invite the former members of the Friends. The carpet in the lower level is finished. The shelving should be in by Monday.

They have browsing bins of books for the children to have an easier time to look over the books they may like.

A new phone system was installed on Friday, it is almost finished.

Treasurer's Report-Koula Tricoci: Our opening balance was \$17,315.47. Our closing balance is

\$32, 776, 37. We payed out \$29.90 to 5/3<sup>rd</sup> ACH Mps Billing, and a \$24.95 Web payment to Gateway. We had a \$14.00 deposit from Your Cause, and a deposit of \$501.95 from the Book Sale. We also had a \$15,000 donation from ITW, matching A donation from John Mathias.

Once again John, a big thank you for your continuing generosity to the Library Foundation.

Annual Meeting and Committee: At our last meeting, all member agreed to stay on another year. Natalie said it would be a good idea if some of our members would try to recruit some new members. Hopefully we might get a few members when our postcard goes out.

Name Change-Natalie Starosta: Natalie had nothing to report at this time.

Library Board Shirts-Nadia Nammari: Nadia did not have an update at this time. She will call tomorrow to update prices. She will notify us, but on her email, not the bank's email.

Purchases: Library's Movie License: Natalie and Koula confirmed that they purchased the Movie License, (Swank \$355.00). Koula will drop the check off. This license allows us to show movies.

Amazon Smile Wish List-Natalie Starosta: Natalie mention it would be nice if our members could purchase something.

Book Page: We will once again purchase this subscription for the Library. It is very popular with the patrons.

Read to Feed: We will make the payment, which is due this month.

Fundraisers: Autumn Fest and Chili Cookoff: John mentioned it was well attended. Once again he thanked everyone that helped out.

Pumpkin Party-Natalie Starosta: The Pumpkin Party Fundraiser will be held on October 15<sup>th</sup>, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m., in the parking lot. Pumpkins will cost \$1.00, \$3.00, and \$5.00 each. They can decorate the pumpkins on site, or take them home to decorate. Decorating kits will be given out to those taking their pumpkin home to decorate. There will be contests for the painted pumpkins.

IndieGo: It is online, similar to GoFundMe.

Masks and Merchandise: Koula said it would be nice if our members could try to sell a few masks. They are \$10.00 each.

Annual Membership Postcards: The large membership post cards to be sent out to community members will cost about \$1,400.00-\$1,500.00. This includes printing and postage. There will be about 3,500 sent out. At our last meeting we voted to split the cost with the Library. We will pay \$750.00. Vera made a motion for us to go forward with this. Koula seconded, and the motion passed. Annette and Marge will get together to work on the letter that will go on the postcard.

Kay Subaitis: The room is almost finished. More details to follow.

Shredding: No update. The Riverside Township will have their shredding on October 16<sup>th</sup>. Kathleen will follow up with PJ and Annette about our shredding.

Library Holiday Photo Fundraiser: Natalie said they were working out dates, Library hours. and employee schedules. Vera suggested we should go virtual. We need to decide on a date. Should be decided by our next meeting.

Unfinished Business: None at this time.

Adjournment: Kathleen Spale adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Marge Hook Secretary.

Please stay safe

