

Friends of Union County Library

Quarterly Meeting Minutes

October 18, 2023

Present: Debora Quigley, Joy Wilson, Ken Arrington, Robert Harford, Sally Woodworth, Kathy Lawrence, Pam Ippolito, Janet Dittus, Lauren Burgreen, Judy Baldwin

Meeting called to 1PM by Judy Baldwin, past President filling in for Jackie Volk.

Members introduced themselves. Judy gave an update on Jackie's condition.

Minutes of the **July 19, 2023** meeting approved as written.

Debra made a beautiful, hand-made card & offered it for all to sign. It is to be sent to our President, Jackie Volk, who was in the hospital at time of this meeting.

Treasurer's Report (Debora Quigley) – Total Assets: \$54,424.32; Balance sheet is attached to these minutes. Last year at this time we had \$53,000.00.

Librarian's Report - none because Marlene was out of the office.

Committee Reports/Chairperson

Membership/Welcome Committees- Debra reported we have 5 new members this quarter. She wrote them a welcome note & sent them a membership card.

Newsletter-. Connie is working on it for us and it will be published soon

Webmaster- Robert said things are average on Facebook for this quarter. There have been 495 web visits. He put a poster on website for community action, Sons of Pioneer Concert sponsored by Ferst Readers of Union County.

Correspondence Received -We donated \$360 to Ferst Reader of Union County. Judy read a lovely card they sent us thanking us for our annual donation.

Debora shared with us that 60% of the library membership never comes to the library after they get their card. Suggested we reach out to that 60% to draw them into the library.

Program Committee- Ken's activities of games at the library were discussed. Judy encouraged all members to share their ideas with him.

Old Business

Quilt Sale: Made and donated **by Pam Ippolito**. The quilt is beautifully displayed on a window behind the library desk.

Everything Christmas Sale- Debora is writing an article for our newspaper about the quilt & for our "Everything Christmas Sale" in November. We are having a Silent Auction for our Christmas Sale. Longhorn donated a huge, beautiful basket which included a \$50 gift card. There will be a members

only sale on Thursday starting at 3:30. Sign-up sheets were circulated to help with the sale and also for help with vehicles to take away goods at end of the sale.

Christmas Party will be Friday December 1 at Vincent's Copper Top, 11:30 am in the room in the back. We will be ordering off the menu & paying for our own meal. Bring a new or used book(s) for the annual book exchange at this luncheon. Guests are welcome. Notice to RSVP will be sent by Debora.

November Bake Sale- will not be held this year

Nomination for 2024 officers: A motion was made by Lauren and seconded by Sally to defer this to November 15 meeting.

New computer and software were purchased and new printer was donated by Robert Harford.

New Business

We are purchasing 24 books to give the families of children who attend the Christmas Story Time. Robert suggested we go to the publishers to ask for a possible discount. Several books were passed around for members to choose the ones to purchase. A motion was made & Kathy seconded it. The motion was approved. Books are 'Christmas in the Country' by Cynthia Rylant & 'The Little Reindeer' by Nicola Killen, 12 of each.

Meeting adjourned at 1:59 pm.

Next meeting is November 15, 2023 at 1 pm in the Community Room at the Union County Public Library.

Minutes prepared by Joy Wilson