

Friends of the Selinsgrove Community Library
Wednesday, November 9, 2005

Present:

Elizabeth Heim, Pres.
Barbara Grubb, Secy.
Barbara McGary
Carol Bull
Joyce Ann Bilger
Margaret Siro

Deborah M. Bernhisel, VP
Janis Gemberling, Treasurer
Linda Wieder
Charles Bull
Cindy O'Hora
Joseph Siro

Officer Reports

President

Elizabeth Heim called the meeting to order.

Vice President

Deborah reported that the Library Board discussed the Library budget which will probably be finalized by the next Library Board meeting on November 22nd in Middleburg. The Library Board continues to study the library expansion issue.

Secretary

The minutes of the October 12th meeting were approved.

Treasurer

Janis reported that \$1060 was collected in October from the sale of the crocks. The ending balance at 10/31/05 was reported as \$14,797.31. The financial statement dated January 1, 2005 to October 31, 2005 was approved.

Cindy O'Hora moved and Carol Bull seconded to have three authorized check signers in 2006 for the Friends account as follows:

Janis Gemberling , Elizabeth Heim , Walter Hagenbuch

The motion carried. Two signatures are required on checks and there are three authorized signers.

Library Reports

Librarian- Barbara Mc Gary reported on the Library's Wish List and many of the items were discussed. In response to a question from the Board, Barbara confirmed that funds were not available in the library's operating expense or capital expense budget to purchase the items on the Wish List. Slashes in government funding were discussed as a reason for declining purchasing capacity in libraries. At the request of the Board, Barbara will assign priorities to the items on the list. Carol Bull moved and Linda Wieder seconded to fund the purchase of as many of the items on the library's prioritized Wish List as possible, the final amount funded dependant on income and expenses for the final two months of 2005.

The motion carried. Final approval on the Wish List will be solicited at the annual members meeting on Wednesday, December 14 at 5:30 p.m.

Committee Reports

Tree Fest - Carol Bull reported that there would be 23 trees and 8 wreaths this year. WKOK will provide the Friends with air time for a roundtable discussion featuring the Tree Fest. The discussion will air on Nov. 27th at 6 AM on Eagle 107FM, at 9:00AM on WKOK 1070 AM and 11 PM on KX 94FM. Representatives of Friends, the library, the library board and Tree Fest Committee will participate in the Roundtable.

Friday, December 2 will be the Tree Fest Reception. All cookie donations should be given to Vi Soper. December 3rd marks the official opening of the 2005 Tree Fest.

Membership - Proposed brochures for the membership drive were passed around and the members present selected their first choice.

Crock Sale - Joyce Bilger advised that there are approximately 100 crocks left to sell. Joyce will order another 100 crocks. It was proposed that crock orders be taken at Tree Fest.

Discussion Topics/ Updates

Election of Officers was discussed. Vice President Deborah Bernhisel one-year term and Walt Hagenbuch as Treasurer for a two-year term will be voted on at the Annual Meeting Dec. 14th.

Cindy O'Hora resigned her position as Newsletter/ Communications Coordinator to be on the Selinsgrove Area School District's School Board.

Walt will not continue as Membership Chair after taking up his duties as Treasurer in 2006. We therefore need a new chairperson for the Membership Committee and a new Communications Coordinator (which includes maintaining the website).

Cindy moved and Carol seconded to adjourn the meeting. The next meeting will be held December 14th at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Grubb