

Friends of the Selinsgrove Community Library

Wednesday, April 11, 2005

Present:

Elizabeth Heim, Pres.	Deborah M. Bernhisel, VP	Barbara Grubb, Secy.
Janis Gemberling, Treas.	Walt Hagenbuch	Barbara McGary
Joyce Ann Bilger	Cindy O'Hora	Linda Wieder
Pat Reiland – Hess	Grace Housley	

Officer Reports

President

Elizabeth Heim called the meeting to order.

Vice President

Deborah Bernhisel stated that the Snyder County Library Board met and discussed the study stage of the building project. This planning stage was to include input from the community and focus groups from the community are needed.

Secretary

Liz Heim requested that a correction be made to the minutes of the previous meeting held March 9, 2005. The correction was as follows: Cindy moved and Grace seconded that prices of the quilt raffle tickets include 7/\$5.00. The motion carried. The minutes of the March 9th meeting were approved.

Treasurer

Janis Gemberling presented the ending balance as \$13,095.35. Deborah moved and Pat seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report.

Library Reports

Librarian – Barbara McGary requested help in collecting history on the Friends of the Selinsgrove Library. Barbara reported on the new development at the Selinsgrove Library. Help in establishing goals for the Strategic Plan 2005 are requested. Please share ideas in making the library the best. Volunteers are needed for the summer reading program in all branches.

New Web Site at www.snydercountylibraries.org

Committee Reports

Membership – Walt reported on the membership for 2005 as totaling 70.

12 Life Memberships

1 Corporate Member

16 Family Memberships

22 Senior/Student Memberships

Tree Fest-

Elizabeth reported that the first meeting of the Tree Fest Committee 2005 was held on March 30, 2005 with regular monthly meeting scheduled thereafter. Barbara McGary suggested that the Friends sponsor the books used. That way they will be available for the Tree Fest and afterwards in the permanent collection, there were some difficulties obtaining the collection last year.

Janis moved and Linda seconded the motion that Friends of the Library purchase 30 children's books on behalf of the library for the 2005 Tree Fest. The motion carried that Friends will purchase on behalf of the Selinsgrove Library thirty selected children's books for the 2005 Tree Fest.

One Book: Killer Angels

Official name of this initiative is One Book: Killer Angels.

Participants: 5 libraries (Selinsgrove, Milton, Montgomery House Warrior Run, Priestley Forsyth, Degenstein) and Friends of the Selinsgrove Library and Friends of the Degenstein Library.

The book: “The Killer Angels” by Michael Shaara won the Pulitzer Prize, the classic novel of the Civil War and basis of the movie “Gettysburg”.

The speaker: Jeff Shaara is Michael Shaara ‘s son and an author in his own right (six published books including the sequel to “The Killer Angel”.

Events: Include- the speaker will attend book signings at each of the libraries. He will give a speech at the Weber Chapel at SU on 10/1/05, preceded by a dinner or reception. There will be a bus trip to Gettysburg, a showing of the movie Gettysburg in Watsonville, community book discussions, etc. Civil War enactors will be used in various events. A Civil War Fair is being discussed along with a Civil War fashion show combined with a tea.

Liz is serving on the One Book: Killer Angels Committee.

Liz is arranging the Gettysburg bus tour for August 27th (Saturday) –2 buses.

Tentative Tour itinerary:

- Visitor Center and Electric Map
- Hall of Presidents
- Jennie Wade House
- Guided Battlefield Tour
- Lunch at General Pickett’s Buffet
- American Civil War Museum

Cost per passenger – approximately \$50 and this would include the meal.

Publicity will be widespread throughout the participating area and will have a uniform look. Liz assured that Friends group would be included with all the libraries in all brochures and publicity. Think about something connected with this that could involve the Kind Café and we’ll discuss at the next meeting.

Janis moved and Grace seconded that Friends will organize a bus tour to Gettysburg as part of the Friends participation in the One Book: Killer Angels event. The motion carried that Friends of the Selinsgrove Library would organize the bus tour to Gettysburg as part of their participation in the initiative One Book: Killer Angels.

Fund Raising – Joyce advised that the shape of the new crocks would be different to provide for space for the new rendition of the Governor Snyder’s Mansion.

Marilyn Issue’s letter was read requesting a fundraising activity, which involved the sale of mugs that she would make. Cindy O’Hora stated that the committee had already established fundraising goals and that there wasn’t any additional room for new commitments.

Cindy moved and Joyce seconded that Friends reject the proposal for another fundraiser involving the sale of mugs. The motion passed that the Friends reject the proposal for another fundraiser involving the sale of mugs.

Spring Book Sale –Janis reported that the Book Sale had received many donations. United Way is sending volunteers to help sort books. Janis is requesting help with Thursday’s set-up and tear down.

New Committees – Elizabeth stated that she was not able to find enough involvement to begin the Volunteer Coordination Committee.

New Business

PA Library Association requested help with their annual conference.

Pat moved and Walt seconded that Friends give \$100 to the PA Library Assn. to sponsor conference refreshment in September. The motion passed for Friends to give the PA Library Assn. \$100.

Joyce moved and Walt seconded to adjourn the meeting. The next meeting will be held May 11th.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Grubb