

Friends of Meaford Library Minutes
Wednesday, November 10,2021
Friends of Meaford Library Room
Meaford Library

Present: Leslie Ransom, Jim Brown, Jane Leckenby, Paul Wehrle, Mary Louise Craven, Francis Richardson, Robert Richardson, Chris Richardson. Guests: Lynne F. Alex T.

Regrets: Susanne Wussow

1. Approval of Agenda: 1st: Jane 2nd Mary Louise. Passed. Add: 5.5 Website-Robert
2. Approval of Minutes from October 14,2021. 1st Robert 2nd Paul. Passed
3. Treasurer's Report: Jim. (see attached) Mary Louise asked about the amount we pay for lawn maintenance, seems to be a bit steep. Perhaps a volunteer? Discussion was around the cost and if it is in line with what is the going rate. 1st: Jim. 2nd Paul. Passed
4. Library Report: Alex. Report that FOML and Net Shed have been added to the library's website. Several activities scheduled during November and into December...2 author nights, board game night, Art Show, Kinsmen Window Unveiling and Scavenger Hunt. Alex brought forward a proposal that FOML support a Book Club kit. Discussion. Motion: Paul: To spend not exceeding \$800.00 excluding taxes and shipment on the book kits. 2nd: Jane . Passed. Lynne F. also came with a proposal for FOML to support buying a Chromebook for the library as the other laptops have been deemed obsolete. She explained they are popular and go out for a 1 week rental. Discussion around perhaps buying more than one. Paul wondered if we could get a cheaper deal. Lynne said we had to go through the municipality. Motion: Jim: To purchase 2 Chromebooks for the library. 2nd: Robert. Passed. Lynne will look into the cost of the warranty.
5. Standing Items:
 - 5.1 Membership: Jane. The membership application form needs to be updated. Jane suggested the changes required. Everyone agreed it was a good idea as things have evolved since the original. Alex will make the changes to the form and Paul will give him the template.
 - 5.2 Promotion/Publicity: Mary Louise. Nothing to report.
 - 5.3 Concerts: Paul. Nothing to report.
 - 5.4 Net Shed: Chris. Nothing to report.
 - 5.5 Website: Robert. He has updated the documentation page with minutes and agendas from the summer onwards. Leslie will send July agenda and minutes to Robert to include on website. Going forward, all agendas and minutes will be posted monthly.

6 Business Arising:

6.1 Railing on the Net Shed. We are ok to construct a new railing in the Spring of 2022. A contractor will be contacted for this job.

6.2 Strategic Planning for the Library: Leslie put forward a notion that FOML could match the library budget set aside for this project. 1500\$. Discussion around whether this was something that was part of our mandate. It was decided that we would defer this until there was a targeted item that was requested, as that would be part of our mandate. Leslie will inform committee.

6.3 Filing Cabinet. Leslie reported that Lynne said that our filing cabinet would be moved to the storage room next to the FOML room. Alex would move it? Leslie has purchased paint and brushes to paint the display case white and to bring it to the library to hang in our room.

Adjournment: 5:10pm. Leslie Next meeting: March 2022