

## Falconer Public Library Meeting Minutes

July 27, 2023

The Falconer Public Library Board meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m. by President Steve Swanson.

**Secretary's Report** was accepted with Lisa Conti making the motion and Steve Swanson seconded it. All in favor.

**Treasurer's Report** given by Paula Spunaugle who presented the Board with details on all of our accounts. Motion made to accept by Steve Swanson, seconded by Brenda Weiler.

### **Old Business:**

**Summer Reading Program** was very successful this year and very well attended. Tattoo Artist was great and very personable. Little Blue Truck collected food for our local pantry. Off the Stick truck came and that was very well received as the bill was more than we were anticipating because of the attendance and our faithful donors, Brian and Kay Nelson covering it in full.

The Library has received very good reviews: it was very positive and encouraged reading for all ages. A suggestion by Lisa Conti was to see if something could be set up with the school prior to school's end in regards to encouraging a 'report card' for attending and turning it in on your first day back to school. Some form of token would be given at that time. What it may be is unknown at this time.

The Board is very thankful for Ashley Nelson and her awesome creativity with making things for story hour and putting them in storage to be used throughout the year, such as The Little Blue Truck, that has benefitted the Library for many different events.

**Trustee Edition** was discussed as far as adding on more members. Steve hadn't heard back yet from a couple of people he had spoken to. Additional names were brought up for members to review.

**Anderson Rosch Grant** with a sum of \$6,550 being requested to help cover Brenda Cavallaro Historian, Ashley with Story Hour, Summer Band Concerts, Tim with Computer IT and in hopes of getting a large screen TV for the Library. The Library received \$5,730. We are very grateful for these funds to help keep the Library an active community resource.

The Board needs to be looking at pre-planning for future funds to be able to pay for story hour supplies and staff.

**Trustee Education** classes are required for all members to take. After the classes have been completed please send an email to President Steve Swanson advising him. He must keep records on file of the attendance. Lisa Conti has completed all the classes and will be giving that information to Steve.

**Grange Visit** was attended on June 12, 2023 by Laurie Becker and Steve Swanson. The grant gave a gift of \$75.00.

**Door Construction** a building permit has been requested.

### **New Business:**

**Christmas in July** went very well this year. A concert was held in Davis Park with Pat Cook and John Savage who sang many songs including a few Christmas Carols. The Library had an Escape Room from 11 to 4 with ½ hour increments. Lots of work was put into planning and preparing the Escape Room – thank you to all. The Falconer Fireman’s Chicken BBQ was well attended. The Glen Colton concert was also very well attended.

**Book Sale** took place on August 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. The Library closed early on Tuesday, August 8<sup>th</sup> to begin prepping for the sale. Volunteers came and quickly had the books moved from the basement up to the Library ready to be sorted and put out for the sale. On Wednesday, August 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. volunteers helped organize the books by topic.

**Policies** of the Library were read and reviewed in great detail by the members. Safety of our staff and patrons is very important. When there can’t be 2 Library staff working at the same time, the hours will be changed and posted on Facebook. Giving additional hours to part time staff should help to eliminate this from happening.

**Back to School Bash at FCS** will be attended by Library staff, with a table display, on 8/31/2023 from 5:00 pm to 7:45 pm at the High School.

**Story Hour** will once again begin in September. Ashley attended the Summer Rec Program bringing books and activities to the Falconer Park.

**Historian’s Report** – no report was submitted.

### **Miscellaneous**

**Our next board meeting will be September 28, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.**

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Lisa Conti, seconded by Brenda Weiler. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted.

Brenda Weiler, Secretary.