

Friends of Baker County Library

Regular Meeting - Minutes

March 19, 2014

Baker County Public Library, Archive Room

Present: Kata **Bulinski** (Pres.), Barbara **Prowell**, Kirsten **Badger**, Barbara **Haynes**, Perry **Stokes** (BCLD Dir.), Julianne **Williams**

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 P.M.

Minutes: Minutes from the February meeting were accepted as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: The balance in the Friends' account is \$14,294. Three invoices have not been submitted yet.

Old Business:

- **Battle of the Books:** Stokes reported that Baker City had two teams of five plus 2 coaches. We did not advance to the next level or receive any sponsorship from other organizations. The costs are being split between the Library and Friends. The Friends had allocated \$250 toward this program. An invoice will be submitted after the pizza party and all costs are tallied.
- **Ready to Learn:** The Friends helped put on the brunch for this program and will cover up to \$200 of costs when an invoice is received. Bulinski had an excellent "letter to the editor" published in the *Record Courier*.
- **Delivery of items to shut-ins:** More consideration is needed by library staff before such a program could be put in place.
- **Book sale procedures:** Tabled for future work.
- **BCL Volunteer Application:** Draft form was distributed. Parental release is found on the back of the form along with a liability waiver. Volunteers automatically become a member of the Friends after 10+ hours of work.
- **Oregon Reads:** BCL's programs and events will be at the end of September and beginning of October. Carolyn Kulog has recommended Tina Tau, a poetess, as a speaker and workshop leader. She is in Portland and would be available (hopefully) on October 10. Stokes accepted Kulog's recommendation and recommended charging a small fee to attend the workshop. A list of speakers for September from Oregon Humanities was distributed. Our choices as an additional speaker are 1.) Lawson Inada, 2.) Paulann Peterson, 3.) Brian Doyle. Bulinski will contact Tina Tau about speaking at the Literary Night, Oct. 10, and leading a workshop on Oct. 11. Stokes will contact Oregon Humanities to see which speaker would be available in September. Stokes recommended charging a small fee to attend the workshop. The Friends and BCL would need to provide local lodging for speakers. The Library will have two screenings of "Your land, my land." The following books from the Oregon Reads list will be purchased for giving away: *Osage Orange* (50 c.), *Ask Me* (25 c.). Ten additional copies of each will be purchased for selling at the events. There will also be a children's story time reading on

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big foot. Bulinski will look into a product that allows poetry to be composed on windows using "clings."

New Business:

- **Tour de Branches:** Bulinski suggested visiting branch libraries by the Friends and/or library staff to become better acquainted with them. Discuss further at the next meeting. One person could also go on the book mobile on a Tuesday or Wednesday after the new driver finishes his training.
- **Spring grounds cleanup:** A group from Mountain Valley Mental Health is currently helping cleanup the grounds. A crew from the prison is also working once a month. Library staff will work on the river's edge area. Stokes will ask if help is needed from the Friends.

The next meeting will be April 16, 2014, at 3:30 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00.

Respectfully submitted by

Julianne Williams

Secretary