Friends of Baker County Library
Board Meeting
January 18, 2012

Present: Diana Pearson, Barbara Prowell, Carmen Wickam (BCPL), Kata Bulinski, Julianne Williams, Perry Stokes (Director, late arrival).

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by Pres. Bulinski.

Minutes: Pearson moved, Prowell seconded that minutes be approved as submitted. Motion passed.

Old Business:

- Historic Homes Tour: Wickam reviewed Library participation in the tour. It helped promote the book sale and gave the library good publicity. Recommended that the Library participate again next year. Need to get list of homes in tour ahead of time if possible.
- Book Sale: Book sale went well. Will have final figures at next meeting. Tally sheets need to be reviewed for clarity with a line added for gift certificates. Gift certificates should have one year expiration date on them. Discussed amount gift certificates should be for with the recommendation that the amount be for a round number of books if possible. One box of unsold books went to Boise Veterans Administration and two boxes of paperbacks went to the county jail. One volunteer is needed each day to do “merchandising” and clean up. Book cart with “What’s New” worked well. Additional one or two people are needed on Monday for packing up for a total of four people (two people each on two shifts). Some branch libraries are starting to have book sales. Pearson reported Friends help at made big difference for library staff.

New Business:

- Volunteer recognition event, Feb. 14, 2012, 8:00 AM. Williams moved and Bulinski seconded that the Friends will supply refreshments. Motion passed.
- Library grounds and rose garden: Caretakers are needed. Would Garden Club help? Bulinski will contact Master Gardeners. We need information on how often and how many hours are required before asking for help. Decision tabled until next meeting when Stokes can be present.
- Library’s “Baby Shower,” Feb. 11, 2012: Wickam reported that food and gift baskets are needed at a cost of $225. Williams moved and Prowell seconded that the Friends fund $225 for this purpose. Motion passed.
- Evergreen software: Stokes asked if the Friends would fund “Software Development for District-only Floating Collection.” Could take a year to fully implement. Decision tabled for further discussion at next meeting. See explanatory information below:
EXPENDITURE REQUEST

TO: FRIENDS OF BAKER COUNTY LIBRARIES

AMOUNT: $1,250

PURPOSE: Software Development for District-only Floating Collection

For software development of the Evergreen Catalog “floating collections” module.

With a “floating collection” designated items that are borrowed from patrons in branch libraries of the library district stay at that branch location upon return instead of being transited back to the original circulating branch library. Over time, the local collection organically becomes tailored to the interests of the local community.

Currently, the Evergreen Catalog software has floating collection capacity, but it’s floating is Sage-wide instead of being limited to the local District libraries. In other words, if we enabled the feature now, the designated “home library” of some of our Interlibrary Loan items could automatically be changed to any library outside Baker County.

This module is not a priority for general Sage investment, because it is only useful for a small percentage of Sage members that have multiple branches. Matches for Baker County’s investment are being sought from Hood River County Library District, Oregon Trail Library District, and Lake County Library District.

[Signed, Perry Stokes, Director]

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- Miscellaneous items for future discussion:
  - Should BCPL Friends support projects at branches?
  - How to invite more participation at Friends meetings?

Next meeting: February 15, 2012, 4:00 PM at Library.

Respectfully submitted by:

Julianne Williams

Secretary