Case Halstead friends of the Library

February 14, 2015

The February meeting of the Friends of the Library was called to order by President Sandy Cain with 14 members present. The January minutes were read by Secretary, Carol Day. Motion was made by Cynthia O'Neill with second by Jim Roeckemann to accept as read. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was given by Sandy Cain. Account has been set up with a \$244 dues deposited. An EIN # has been obtained.

Involvement in the summer reading program was discussed. Kristi reported the 6 programs will be presented beginning on May 26 and will include Mr. Steve, Babalou, Mad Science, Animal Tales, and conclude with Mike Anderson folk instrument, sound effects and story telling on July 1. The average cost for most programs in \$300-\$350. Barb Guebert pointed out that community businesses and individuals often donate to the programs. Since the building of the library some have the impression the library now has its own money to fund such programs. She suggested Friends of the Library speak about the need for support to continue these programs and pointed out a donation from the Friends group would encourage others to contribute. A motion was made by Phyllis Bango and seconded by Brenda Johnson to donate \$350 to the program fund. Motion was carried.

Kristi reported on the research about a 501C for the Friends. This would give the ability to solicit donations that are tax deductible and would also allow application for grants. Suggestion was made by Barb Guebert that possibly a Rotary Club member could fill out the application as a donation. Jim Roeckemann made a motion to continue to file for the 501C. Rob Hyten seconded. Motion carried.

The Book Sale will be held March 27 9:00-5:00 and March 28 9:00- 2:00 with a preview on Thurs March 26 5:00 - 8:00. Harlan Gerrish was appointed by Sandy to chair the book sale. At the next meeting he will give more information about work schedules and sign up. Boxes will be collected to store the books that do not sell for future book sales. Motion made by Carol Day and seconded by Adrienne Dempsey for Jim Roeckemann to begin putting books on Amazon sales. Motion carried. Discussion also about advertsement for the book sale, including newspaper and radio station spots. Brenda Johnson volunteered to get the information to businesses and church bulletins. Jim Roeckemann asked about a letter that could be created to advertise the event.

Kristi reported that volunteers will be needed to help host the various programs and assist with set up and tear down. The website does have a

volunteer form for working on various events.

Barb Guebert announced the Dr. Michelle Scott has been added as the new Library board member. She also cited upcoming World War I 100th anniversary Ongoing Veteran's observances. Also reported about a possible program with the MidAmerica Transplant Services, and possible procurement of Dale Rogers who did the Seagull Sculptures to create another art piece for the library. She informed the group that the signs directing pedestrian traffic around the library are on order.

Sandy reported that because of the excellent computer resources at the library Kaskasia College will begin offering Community education classes here. Cudos to the good planning by the library board.

Rob Hyten reported his plan for upkeep and maintenance at the building. Working with Barb regarding the checklist necessary to comply with warranty demands on library building parts they will develop a list stating WHAT needs to be done, HOW to do it, WHERE it is and the materials to use.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 14. Motion by Judy Dumstorff and seconded by Harlan Gerrish to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, (

Carol Day, secretary