Friends of the Lester Public Library of Rome  
Minutes: September 12, 2019

President Fregien called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Officers present: Barb Herreid Treasurer, Jeanne Osgood, Secretary. Judy Ontl Excused.

Barb H. Made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 6 meeting. Sharon Hirsch seconded and motion carried.

Financial Report was given by Barb Herreid. Fern Fregien made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s report. Sharon H. Seconded and motion was carried.

Librarian’s Report – Renee reported that the new hire, Cassi, is doing well. The backyard seating area is popular. Adult Reading program started now and will go through November. The library won the Program Wizard Award for the Drive In Movie for children program. They beat out 66 other libraries and are excited to attend the presentation of awards in Sun Prairie on Oct. 17. Anyone can attend, just let her know. The library will close early in order for staff to attend. Volunteers are needed Oct. 5 – 16 because Rebecca will be on a trip. Also, volunteers needed to count the week of Oct. 14th. Sign up at the front desk.

Old Business
   a. Outside Seating Area Report – already given

New Business
   Foundation Report – nothing to report. Ron will keep in touch with Jay Grode.

Other Business – Renee requested money from the Friends to purchase a machine that will clean and repair CDs/DVDs. Barb H moved, Jeanne O seconded, to purchase the machine. Motion carried. Barb will purchase it and give it to the library when it comes. Renee also requested money from the Friends to get a good performer for the 2020 Summer Reading Program. Jeanne O made a motion to give the library $1000 to spend towards summer reading programs. Barb h. seconded and motion carried.

   Also under Other Business, Barb reported that library patrons can use Amazon Smile when they purchase something on Amazon. Each order gives a small percentage to a non-profit organization of the buyer’s choice. Choose the Lester Public Library of Rome, and that small percentage will come to the library. Easy, it costs nothing, and if you need more information, ask at the front desk.

Jeanne O made a motion to adjourn. Fern Seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m. Next meeting is set for Tuesday, October 1, at 6:30 p.m.