

## **Friends of the Lester Public Library of Rome Meeting Minutes, May 17, 2019**

President, Ron Fregien called meeting to order at 9:25 a.m.

Roll call of officers- Ron Fregien, Judy Ontl, Jeanne Osgood present. Barb Herreid excused absent.

Pam Hyland/Judy Ontl motioned to approve the minutes from the Nov. 3, 2018 meeting. Motion carried

Financial Report – Barb Herreid submitted a report that was read by Jeanne Osgood. Fern Fregien/Barb Long motioned to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Librarian's Report – Renee Daley needs volunteers for the summer programs. Something going on almost every day. Also need help with a craft day at the Gazebo during the Farmer's Market on June 28 and July 26 from 9-11. Call Renee if you can help. Gardening programs offered by the Master Gardeners the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. Sign up to volunteer at the library at the front desk.

Advocate for the library at the Farmer's Market – sign up for a Friday

Outside Deck Project – A proposal for composite deck and concrete slab were submitted. Discussion followed. Motion by Jeanne/Marcie Wiessinger to authorize Ron F. to contact Concrete business for a permanent slab 12' x 16' behind the library for outdoor seating if it can be completed soon, and to build the composite deck as a back-up. Motion Carried. The library has a small round outside table with a glass top. Still needed: chairs (without cushions), an umbrella and stand.

Outside Shed – Ron reported that 50-80 landscape blocks are available for free from Good Shephard Lutheran Church. He will call volunteers to pick them up to be used to build a retaining wall on the west side of the shed and around to the back. Also, the shed needs to be wire brushed and stained. Friends have the stain already. Master Gardeners will organize the staining day.

Camelot Brat Fry August 17, 2019 – This is the annual fund-raiser for the Friends of the Library. We will need volunteers in 3 hour shifts to run this again. We will also be selling bakery in individual portions already in baggies for \$.50 each. A sign-up sheet will be available as we get closer to the date.

Election of Officers – All four of the existing officers agreed to stay on for another year. Ron F. asked for nominations from the floor 3 times. None were forthcoming. Jeanne/Sharon Hirsch motioned to accept the four current officers as the new officers for 2019. Motion carried. The Friends of the Library officers are:

President - Ron Fregien  
Vice President – Judy Ontl  
Secretary – Jeanne Osgood  
Treasurer – Barb Herreid

Renee Daley had several suggestions from other libraries on increasing activities for the Friends of the Library and to increase awareness and membership. Discussion followed. Barb Long suggested monthly meetings – maybe in the evening. Discussion followed. As a group we decided to try to meet the first Tuesday of each month from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. We will offer light refreshments. We scheduled the meetings for the year and will monitor attendance and suggestions for the first year. There will be a theme/speaker/craft/ at each meeting. The dates are: June 4, Theme - Organize the calendar for the year. Jeanne will bring refreshments and a sign-up sheet for refreshments for the following meetings.

July 2  
Aug 6  
Sept. 3  
Oct. 1  
Nov. 5  
Dec. 3

Marcie/Fern motioned to adjourn. Adjourned at 10:40 a.m.