Friends of the Lester Public Library of Rome
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 30, 2020

The Friends of the Library Officers met with Renee Daley, Director of the Lester Public Library of Rome, for the specific purpose of an update on the Covid-19 Virus and when to plan the next Friends of the Library general meeting.

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.
Present were President – Ron Fregen, V-president – Judy Ontl, Secretary – Jeanne Osgood, Treasurer – Barb Herreid, and Director, Renee Daley.

Renee Daley reported that the library is loosening some of the restrictions beginning July 6. The library will be open from 9-4 M-F. No weekend openings yet. Large meetings, Community room use, and computer use are still restricted. There are no toys, puppets, crafts, and puzzles out for anyone to use. There are crafts that the staff put together that can be picked up at the library and taken home to complete. Please check the library website for updated information.

Summer Reading Program is reduced from the great 6 week format down to four Tuesdays of kids crafts from 2-3 in an outside setting. The performers have all been cancelled. Volunteers are needed for the Tuesday Kids Crafts from 2-3. They will be done outside. Please call the library if you can help. July 7 – Renaissance theme, July 14 – Ocean crafts, July 21 – Fairy Houses, and July 28 – Fossils with dinosaurs.

Renee asked the Friends Officers if some of the money set aside for performers for SRP could be used to purchase 1 or 2 pop up canopies to use outside for the kids programs. These could also be used for adult programs outside if we can ever get to that point. Barb Herreid/Judy Ontl made the motion to allow Renee to purchase the canopies. All in favor and motion carried.

Renee asked if the Friends would consider running 2 book sales per year instead of having a continuous book sale in the community room. Judy Ontl/Barb Herreid motioned for Renee to purchase totes to store books for the sales. Totes would be kept in the shed so they are in good condition. All in favor and motion carried.

Next meeting is the Annual Meeting. It will be held August 7, 9:00 a.m. at the library. Please bring your own drink. No food will be served.