**Friends of the Crystal Lake Library**

**Meeting Minutes – December 16, 2019**

**Present:** Mike Lorenz, Stacey Lorenz, Gayle Haefele, Holly Hawes, Linda Hardeland, Kim Martens, Library Director

**Meeting called to order** by Mike Lorenz at 7 pm.

**Minutes:** Minutes of September meeting were approved.

**Officer Reports:**

**President**: We have 3 new members through our website. We need tokeep small fund raisers going, as our funds are not going to come from membership. Suggestion: using Amazon Smile with Friends of the Crystal Lake Library as recipient. Taking another look at redoing our website.

**VP: (unfilled position)**

**Treasurer:** We had $1565 profit from the fall mum sale. Holly did submit the Illinois Annual Report with the Secty of State. Total on hand - $5847. New- we have to renew our tax-exempt status with the IRS. This includes several documents and we will consult with an accountant to see that all is filed correctly.

**Secretary**: Requested thatthe name of the secretary be updated on the website.

**Committee Reports:**

**Fundraising** So far have received only $25 from the Heavenly Ham fundraiser. Will try to extend the program through April 30. Chipotle fundraiser is tomorrow…must bring flyer and they require a minimum attendance in order to receive benefits. Looking at Culver’s for Feb., Buffalo Wild Wings for March, Jersey Mike’s for April, JulieAnn’s for May. These dates not confirmed as of now. Hoping to have a spring flower sale/book sale sometime in May. Will check with Countryside to see what type of flower might work.

**Current business :** Dates were set for the coming year (2020) with a change in location for some of them as noted: Jan. 27; Feb. 24, March 30-story time room, April 27, May 26- Tuesday-story time room, June 22-story time room, July 27, Aug. 24-story time room, Sept. 28, Oct. 26 – story time room, Nov. 30- storytime room. All meetings on 4th Monday in the Ames room unless otherwise noted.

We will have an indoor book sale on February 1 in the Ames Room. Members should attempt to acquire more donations of books and we will meet before to finalize plans.

**Membership:** Discussion of mugs with our logo as incentives to join the Friends was deemed too expensive for us at this time. However, there was some discussion about “perks” for membership. It was decided that members will get to shop one hour early at the Book Sales. A “ticket” will be sent to them by email. Mike will send out reminders to those whose memberships are coming up for renewal.

**New**. Still looking for specific “goals” from the library, so that we have a target item or items that we can work toward supporting. Kay gave us an update on the board meeting and is aware of our desire to have a goal that we can get behind.

**Next meeting: January 27, 2020**