

GENERAL MEETING May 21, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by President Cindy Erickson. Aaron Erickson, Ken Erickson, Carol Knauf, Chris Pudalek, Patti Gebala and Kitty Bystrom were present. Christina Riccio arrived later.

A. Secretary's Report

a. The Minutes of the March 19 meeting were read and approved. Correction: the date for the Addison Medinah Shriners Parade is Sunday, August 24.

B. Treasurer's Report

a. Rose Coyle was absent, no report given.

C. Committee Reports

- a. Membership
 - Aaron Erickson suggested that we start anew with the list of members. He will email all previous members regarding renewal. Discussion was held about attracting new members, many ideas and suggestions were made – Facebook, Pop-Up Libraries, Rock 'n Wheels, free t-shirt and/or bookmark for new members. Patti and Ken will follow up.
 - Aaron inquired about an email address for the Friends. Patti explained there was one in the past, but no one kept it up, so it was closed. She will investigate the process necessary to set it up again.

b. Library Liaison

- Patti Gebala noted YTD proceeds from Thrift Books of \$1,493.68.
- Chris Pudalek asked if the Friends had any interest in having the Friends's checking account separate from the Library Board. Discussion was tabled until the treasurer can be consulted.

• Patti requested all members help at the Library's booth at Rock 'n Wheels this summer.

D. Old Business:

• The newly designed membership brochure was presented. A few additions and corrections were noted (2025/2026 meeting dates,) and it was agreed that a QR code be added to the form to make it easier to join the Friends. A motion was passed to accept the newly formatted brochure.

E. New Business:

a. Election of officers was tabled until July 16.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m. The next meeting will be held on July 16 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Kitty Bystrom, Secretary