

MOUNT VERNON LIBRARY FOUNDATION

August 10, 2015

Meeting is called to order by Marija Anderson at 5 :30pm.

Present: Marija Anderson, Peter Goldfarb,Cheri Relyea, Chuck Smith, Sara Patton, Kelly Reep, Roger Ragusar, Carmen Bruner, Jorge Manzanera, Angelica Guillien, Brian Soneda, Sara Holahan,

Absent: Troy Kunz, Gloria Hulst, Harold Page

Treasurer's Report: Chuck Smith reported that our Bank Balance as of July 31, 2015 is \$8,873.34.

Minutes from July 13, 2015 meeting were corrected as follows: The vote for paying half the cost of the Site Planning project, with the remaining half being paid by the Mt. Vernon School District, was corrected to 8 votes aye, and 1 vote nay. Minutes were approved as corrected.

Old Business: It was agreed that the Board had approved Item 1, The Mission Statement, and Item II, The Vision Statement A, B, and we should focus on Item C.

Discussion centered around Item C: Build public support and involvement. Get input from the membership, especially specific questions. Build the membership from the community, and define benefits to the members. A quarterly newsletter was suggested for members who joined for the \$35.00 fee. Sara Patton, Carmen Bruner, Kelly Reep, and Cheri Relyea agreed to work on this, as approved.

Suggestions were as follows: Recruit new members at the Farmers Market and/or the Library. The Library has a booth at the Farmer's Market every other week, and Board Members have worked with Brian at different times to help with the booth. Brochures are distributed from there, and it is also a play station for children and a book sale.

Discussion also mention a need for a Spanish translation of the brochure. However, with all the different language cultures that live in our community, including Mexican Spanish, Philippine, Croatian, Ukrainian, etc., it was concluded that it would be better to have a translator available at the Library.

President's Report: Brian announced that he will present a report to the City Council at the Public Safety Building on Wednesday, Aug 12th, particularly mentioning the new houses(500 houses) being built in Mt. Vernon, and the amount of population growth.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 14, 2015 from 5:30 to 6:30p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheri Relyea, Secretary