

**MOUNT VERNON CITY LIBRARY
FOUNDATION MEETING
MINUTES
Monday, March 14, 2016 @5:30pm
Himalaya Property Management Offices**

1. Call to Order at 5:35pm by President Marija Anderson
 - a. Present: Carmen, Chuck, Brian, Peter, Marija, Cheri
 - b. Absent: Jorge, Angelica, Gloria, Roger, Kelly
 - c. Members at large: Harold , Sara, Sarah, Troy, Janis
2. Minutes
 - a. The minutes of the past meeting were corrected and approved. Discussion included the issue of attendance. It was unanimous that an excused absence is correct. Unfortunately, no business can take place without a quorum, so business has to wait until a quorum is present.
 - b. A suggestion was made that member-at-large could be a possibility, but does not address the problem of the quorum. More discussion needs to take place to see if the by-laws can address this issue.
3. Treasurer's Report
 - a. The report shows a balance of \$8,035.89.
 - b. The 1990 Report is due in April and was sent to the IRS to report our financial activity for 2015.
 - c. Report by Treasurer Chuck Smith was approved.
4. Old Business
 - a. The Library website was said to be o.k., but will be updated as needed.
 - b. The Library will be known as the Mount Vernon City Library.
 - c. Waiting for the Library. Roger Ragusa made contact with Mark Hulst, member of the City Council. President Marija plans to invite Mark to our next meeting to answer questions.
5. Event planning was discussed with the celebration of "100 Years of Service" as our slogan.
 - a. On Sunday, March 13, 2016, an excellent article with a colored picture appeared on the Skagit Valley Herald's front page of the Skagit Living section. The headline reads: "A Century of Knowledge," and the article and title say "Mount Vernon Public Library celebrates centennial."
 - b. The City of Mount Vernon, in conjunction with the Library, will sponsor two different trails, Trumpeter and Little Mountain for poetry walks. The title is "Poetry in Nature," and people will read poetry along the way as they hike the trails. This event is scheduled during the Tulip Festival, and will open in late April and be open through early May.
6. Director's Report

Kelly, Peter and Brian are planning a Logo , and plan to create 100 laminated book marks to hand out during the Centennial Yearopening. Opening comments for the Centennial will be May 22nd , with the Mayoral proclamation for April 10-16, Library Week. A Book Sale is planned for April 15 and 16th , which coincides with the Tulip Festival opening.

7. For the Good of the Order

A suggestion was made that member-at-large could be a category for the Library Foundation Board, but does not address the problem of the quorum. More discussion needs to take place to see if the by-laws can address this issue.

8. Conclusion of the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:37pm. The next meeting will take place April 11, 2016 @Himalaya Property Management Offices.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheri Relyea