

Mount Vernon City Library Foundation

Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 10, 2016 @5:30pm

Himalaya Property Management Office

- I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Marija Anderson at 5:30pm.
- II. Roll Call: Board of Directors present were: Roger Ragusa, Chuck Smith, Jorge Manzanera, Gloria Hulst, Marija Anderson, and Charleen Relyea. Member at Large: Library Director Brian Soneda, Liason; City Council Member Mark Hulst. Mark was invited to be our Liason member to the City Council.
- III. Minutes were approved as written and corrected.
- IV. Treasurer's Report as reported by Chuck Smith earned \$.60 interest. Balance to date is \$7,255.55.
- V. Library Director's Report by Brian Soneda
 - A. Brian announced he had been present at the Regional Library Directors' which meets to build interest in Libraries. Skagit Reads is one of their organizations, and sponsored "I Am Malala," as a Pass It On Book, and also the free movie at the Lincoln Theater.
 - B. Brian announced that a Proclamation will announce that "Friends of the Libraries Week" will begin October 16th as a membership drive.
 - C. Brian gave a thank you to members of the Foundation Board who attended the City Council Meeting on Wednesday, October 5th.
 - D. Mark Hulst led a discussion for consideration of a City Campus, which could include the City Hall, a new building for Fire Station #1, and a newer, larger library. This could possibly take place on land that is already owned by the City. It was suggested that a feasibility study should be arranged to study the possibilities. Marija agreed to write a letter to Mayor Jill Boudreau to see if the study could be included in the Budget Plan for the coming year 2017. Foundation Board members would sign the letter and submit it to the Mayor.
 - E. President's Report by President Marija Anderson
Marija reminded us that we have seven positions to fill in order to make the Foundation Board complete. Roger Ragusa, Kelly Reep and Peter Goldfarb will look for members from the downtown area as an appropriate gesture to support downtown businesses.
 - F. Our next Board meeting will be November 14, 2016, at 5:30pm. It will take place at the City Library in Brian Soneda's office. The meeting tonight was adjourned at 6:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Charleen Relyea, Secretary