

**FOLIO**  
**Friends of Libraries in Oklahoma**  
**Minutes of Board Meeting**  
**February 6, 2009**  
**Okmulgee Public Library**  
**Okmulgee, OK**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a. m. by President Gerry Hendon.

Present at the meeting were: Bev Dieterlen, Jon Douthitt, Sharon Douthitt, Bob Greenstreet, Jennifer Greenstreet, Mary Harkey, Gerry Hendon, Cletta Kinnear, Carolyn Klepper, Erwin Mason, Cindy Mitas, Carol McReynolds, Joe McReynolds, Karen Neurohr, Julia Brady Ratliff, Jeannine Spencer, Tom Terry, Irene Wickham, Harlene Wills, Pat Weaver-Meyers, and guest Michael Matkin.

Tom Terry moved to approve the minutes of the board meeting on September 19, 2008. The motion was seconded and approved.

Carol McReynolds gave the treasurer's report noting that the total balance of both restricted and unrestricted funds was \$34,421.63. The treasurer's report was accepted and will be filed for audit.

President Gerry Hendon gave the President's report. It included the information that we had raised the \$12,000 needed to receive a Kirkpatrick grant of \$8,000. The agreement with OCCF is to be signed by the board members present and, along with the money, sent to the Foundation next week. It was noted that FOLIO could apply for another Kirkpatrick grant in September.

Clare Delaney sent a written report about FOLUSA. Highlights included information about the new ALA division ALTAFF (Association for Library Trustees, Advocates, Friends and Foundations), National Library Week dates (April 12-18, 2009), FOLUSA Virtual march on Washington (May 11-15, 2009) and National Library Legislative Day (Tuesday May 12, 2009).

Committee reports followed.

**Archives:** Tom Terry reported that the archives have been moved to the OLA office.

**Grants:** Erwin Mason reported that the committee is working on forming a long term plan to raise money, including setting goals and applying for technical assistance to make a portfolio. The committee includes Erwin as chair and Carol McReynolds, Joe McReynolds and Carolyn Klepper.

Irene Wickham moved that we proceed to apply for technical assistance from OCCF as soon as practically possible. The motion was seconded and approved.

**Hall of Fame Nominations:** Bev Dieterlen reported that names of people to be nominated are needed and that awards will be made in April at our Annual Meeting. The criteria for nominations will be put on FOLIO website.

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**Legislative:** Gerry Hendon reported that the representative from Owasso has reintroduced the TABOR bill and that 18 bills are being considered that would reduce support for groups supported by the ad valorem tax.

**Literary Landmark:** Karen Neurohr announced the rededication of the Woody Guthrie plaque will be on July 10, 2009 at the downtown park in Okemah. The Literary Landmark honoree for 2009 is John Joseph Matthews, an Osage author. The date is not yet set, but will probably be in November of this year.

**Membership:** Tom Terry presented a written report noting that there are 195 individual members, 63 Friends of the Library groups, 28 libraries and 4 corporate members. .

**Newsletter:** Gerry Hendon reported that 1 newsletter had been published this year and another would be published this month.

**Nominating:** Michael Matkin (McAlester), Judy Neale (Lawton) and Lynda Reynolds (Stillwater Public Library) were nominated to the board.

**Oklahoma Best Friends:** Cletta Kinnear reported that she had mailed 93 letters. She noted that only member groups are allowed to win. The deadline is March 15, 2009.

**Outreach:** It was reported that packets had been sent to SE Library System and committee members have talked with representatives of Choctaw, Stigler, Valiant and Wilburton Libraries. It would be helpful to have someone from the western part of the state on the committee. Buckley sent a thank you note. Gerry Hendon said she provided information to several groups.

**Publicity:** Irene Wickham has contacted newspapers across the state with articles for FOLIO publicity.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

The possible change of address for the organization was discussed. Irene Wickham said that virtually we are the Friends group for ODL. She will contact Susan McVey to see if we could have our mail sent there.

Advocacy Workshop will be Tuesday February 17, 2009 at Moore Public Library and Legislative Day on Tuesday March 10, 2009.

FOLIO Program, Luncheon and Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 22, 2009 at the Reed Center in Oklahoma City. The speaker at the 10:00 meeting will be Sandra LeVan, who will speak on "Seeking the Elusive Buck." Luncheon speaker will be Teresa Miller and the business meeting follows at 1:15. Registration forms will be in the next newsletter.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

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Resignations from the board were received from Norman Rourke, Jan Powers and Judy Dinsmore. Jennifer Greenstreet moved to accept these resignations with regret. The motion was seconded and approved.

Bob Greenstreet moved to elect by acclamation the three nominees presented earlier in the meeting. They are J. Michael Matkin, Judy Neale and Lynda Reynolds. The motion was seconded and approved and the three were duly elected.

Karen Neurohr suggested that we have a new FOLIO logo and will explore getting a new logo designed by OSU. She will report back at next meeting.

The next regular board meeting will be on Friday July 10, 2009 at Okemah.

There was no other business and the meeting was adjourned at 12:00.

Jeannine Spencer  
Secretary