

## Friendship Force of Lincoln Minutes

March 3, 2025 FFL Meet at Walt Library 2:00 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Pat Novak, printed by Midge Dublinske

The March 3, 2025 meeting of the Friendship Force of Lincoln convened at the Walt Library at 2:05 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Vice-President, Midge Dublinske.

Members of the Board recited the Friendship Force Pledge.

Roll call was taken and a quorum was present. Members present: Midge Dublinske, Milt Bayer, Marilyn Watson, Janet Walters, Gayle Bayer, Pat Novak, Maxine Moul, Vickie McDonald, Phyllis Arth. Members absent/excused: Ann Quinlan, Arlene Rea, Judy Keetle, Bruce Keim, Carlene Keim, Julie Albracht, JoEllen Polzien, Julie Splichal.

Minutes from the February 3, 2025 meeting were presented. Motion to approve minutes by Marilyn Watson and seconded by Vickie McDonald. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report was given by Milt Bayer. Milt noted there were three unpaid memberships at this point, but he did receive membership dues from Kathy Spahr. Sylvia Crilly is a new member for 2025. The Audit committee will meet on March 12, 2025 at Milt Bayer's home along with Pat Novak and De Tonack.

No president's report given. Arlene was unable to join by phone.

Vice-president's report. Midge shared information from the last Midwest Leaders Zoom meeting. There will be no international conference previously scheduled for South Korea. The next North American Conference will be in 2026 in Memphis, TN. The only new concerns are for continuation and funding for future Open World (COIL) programs. Clubs are encouraged to host Open Word events, but not to spend any local club funds until solid notification of funding is received.

The vice-president also shared the drafts of the 2025 membership lists and committee assignments. These may be edited and are for FFL business only. Please do not share club member information with anyone outside of FFL without permission.

Committee reports:

Membership—need a new chairperson. New member for 2025 is Sylvia Crilly.

Courtesy—Card to be sent to Di Anna Schimek

Directory—Midge shared draft copies with corrections to be made.

Publicity—next Passport is due in May with mid-May deadline. The first quarter Passport was sent to the membership by email.

Diversity and Service Committee—Janet Walters has provided a written report in advance of the meeting. The committee is working on continued contact with the Muslim community and is working to network with the Asian community. Several committee members plan to meet with representatives at the Asian Center.

L.E.O. activities are listed in the announcement portion of the monthly meeting agenda. Dates for March, April, May and June are set.

Outbound Journey to Indonesia was given by Maxine Moul. Currently, eight people are interested in going.

Other reports not given due to absences.

Meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m. Motion to adjourn by Maxin Moul and seconded by Milt Bayer. Motion carried.