

By-laws of Friends of the Three Oaks Library

Article I

Name of our association: Friends of the Three Oaks Library

Article II

Purpose: To support the Three Oaks Township Public Library by increasing and maintaining community awareness of its resources, functions and services, by raising funds for special programs or projects and materials for the library in excess of those provided for by general library budget, and by volunteering our time and efforts for the library.

Dissolution: In the event of dissolution, and prior to completion thereof, all liabilities and obligations of the association shall be paid, satisfied and discharged, and all remaining assets shall be expended for or applied to the purposes of the association, by transferring and conveying such assets to the Three Oaks Township Public Library. No part of such remaining assets shall be distributed to members or to any other person whatsoever.

Article III

Officers: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary.

Terms of service: one year beginning on November 1st.

Members shall nominate and officers shall be elected by a majority vote of those present at the annual meeting. The term shall begin immediately.

Article IV

Members: Open to all individuals for which dues have been paid.

Article V

Meetings: General meetings shall be scheduled as approved by the Friends board.

Article VI

Dues: \$15.00 – one time membership dues.

Article VII

Conflict of Interest Policy for Directors and Officers:

All decisions of the Friends board and officers are to be made solely on the basis of a desire to promote the best interests of Friends and the Three Oaks Township Public Library in carrying out its charitable purposes. Officers are fiduciaries and have an obligation to be sufficiently well informed about the affairs of the Friends and qualifications of any officers, professionals, committees or others on whom they may rely to make honest, prudent and good-faith decisions within the areas of their responsibility. The Board has an obligation to put Friends' interests before their own interests and the interest of all related parties when making decisions about Friends' matters.

Persons who serve as officers or otherwise may be involved in the affairs of other institutions and organizations. An effective board and body of officers cannot consist of individuals entirely free from at least perceived conflicts of interest. Although most such potential conflicts are and will be deemed to be inconsequential, the Board should be aware of situations that involve financial, business, or other relationships that could be troublesome for Friends or the individual.

This organization is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes under section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

_____ Jeff Krohn, President

_____ Deborah Kearney, Secretary

_____ Barbara Doepker, Treasurer