Friends of MCLS Wednesday, March 8, 2023 Regular Board Meeting in Meeting Room B, 4:00pm

Members Present:

Sally Banfield, President
Anna Marie Katt, Past President
Beth Brown, Outreach Services
Stacey Russell, Executive Dir. MCLS
Laura Black Natalie, Member at Large
Sally Ruggles, Vice President
Joyce Patton, New Concord Rep.
Sarah Brinkman, Outreach Services
Janet James, South Rep.
Sue Danhauer, Treasurer

Beverly Bell, Secretary

Call to Order:

Sally Banfield called the meeting to order at 4:00pm The minutes of February 8 was reviewed and motion to accept as read made by Laura Black Natalie and seconded by Joyce Patton, voted and passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Sue Danhauer reported the beginning balance: \$17,738.74 Deposits: \$764.10 Ending balance February statement: \$7,118.19 minus the \$25 membership renewal for Dresden for Ohio Library Council. Report to be filed for audit.

Library Update:

- * Beth Brown and Stacey Russell report the plan for ½ day staff inservice on March 10 with the focus of safety and security. The library will open to the public at 1:00pm that day. There is a position in Customer Service, part-time posted.
- * Stacey Russell reported the plans for remodeling the library with monies allocated and a grant. Priorities are adding smaller meeting rooms, painting, shelving, technology, and furniture. Stakeholder meetings are planned with the genealogy group and the bookstore committee to discuss changes. Bookstore meeting is scheduled for March 17. There are plans for a position in Adult Literacy in future.
- * Need for Statutory Agent from Friends and Sally Banfield has agreed to fill this position. Paperwork was submitted today.

Branch Reports:

New Concord: Joyce Patton reported NC Friends met last week. The Pop-up book sale in February netted \$210. There are plans for another pop-up book sale on May 6th, 10-1pm.

Roseville: Beverly Bell reported the next meeting is next Tuesday with plans to set Farmers' Market schedule for the year and will plan for July 4th if Roseville is doing festivities.

Duncan Falls: Beth reports slow membership progress. They are planning a fundraiser.

South: Janet James reported the Branch received a grant (Betty Y. Black Endowment grant) to be used at South for programming and improvements. The next meeting will be March 16th.

Committee Updates:

Bookstore- Plan for selling books 4/\$1.00 with emphasis on Children during the Reading Festival on May 13th from 10-1pm.

- Coupons were given to Tax Clinic attendees for 1 free item in the Bookstore, 5 people have used them.
- Mystery Box Sale on March 13-18th with Adult Fiction/non-fiction in the lobby. Packing boxes, Thursday, March 9th at 10:30am.
- Two Buck-A-Bag sale is planned for Friends week October 16, 2023. Set up to be on the 19th. Members only on Friday, October 20th for 3 hours 2:30-5:30pm, Volunteers are needed from 2-6pm. The public sale is on the 21st from 10:30-1:30pm with volunteers needed from 10 to 2.
- Book cart totals from all branches: \$139.82

Bookstore Report: Sarah Brinkman reported total sales from the beginning of year are: \$1,521.10. 1,304 items have been sold. February sales: \$636.00

Membership: Sue Danhauer reported 319 members on file as of February, 2023.

Membership breakdown: 1 Student, 107 Individual, 28 Family, 8 Patron, and 94 Lifetime. Discussion ensued about membership for students and Anna Marie Katt is to draft a letter to be sent to local college students to encourage membership.

Nominating Committee: Joanne Brown/Jo Davis ask if there is anyone changing positions or anyone wanting to fill a post to let them know.

Program/Funding: Sue Danhauer presented a flier for the fundraiser on April 5th (5-8pm) which was sent to all board members, each branch and several to Weasel Boys to distribute. Motion made by Sally for \$125, seconded by Janet James for trivia game and mini prizes, vote and carried. Please put the flier on your social media and share with others.

Publicity/public relations: No report

Staff Appreciation: Sally Banfield and Sally Ruggles suggest potluck at the end of the summer reading as a celebration.

History: No report

PAC: Sally visited a webinar recently and when monies available we should think about putting aside for future levies for the Library.

New Business:

- Motion made, after discussion, by Sue Danhauer and seconded by Laura Black Natalie for Friends to fill all 9 planters at cost of \$125 each. Vote carried.
- Suggestion of minutes from Main shared with Presidents of branches and Customer Service.
- A list provided from Branch reps for inclusion in minutes.
- Better signage for Branch Friends Bookshelves

- Possibly posting Board minutes on the Friends section of the Library Homepage.
- Corporate memberships.
- *Carr Cake Auction*: Sarah Brinkman agrees to prepare cake, incentive discussed and motion made by Joyce Patton not to exceed \$200, seconded by Beverly Bell. Candyland Cake with games suggested.
- Motion made by Sue Danhauer and seconded by Beverly Bell to approach branches about monies for Summer Reading performances, voted and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:07pm

Next meeting will be April 12, 2023, 4:00pm in Meeting Room B.