

Friends of the MCLS
Wednesday, April 12, 2023
Regular Board Meeting in Meeting Room B, 4:00pm

Members Present:

Sally Banfield, President	Sally Ruggles, Vice President
Anna Marie Katt, Past President	Sarah Brinkman, Outreach Services
Beth Brown, Outreach Services	Janet James, South Rep.
Laura Black Natalie, Member at Large	Sue Danhauer, Treasurer
Joanne Brown, Bookstore	Gerald Brandt, Member at Large
Stephanie Freas, Assistant Director MCLS	Beverly Bell, Secretary

Call to Order:

Sally Banfield called the meeting to order at 4:00pm. The minutes of March 8, 2023 was reviewed and motion made by Janet James, seconded by Beverly Bell they be accepted. Voted and passed. Minutes are now being posted on the Homepage under the Friends heading monthly.

Treasurer's Report:

Sue Danhauer reported the beginning balance: \$18,502.84. Deposits: \$1,746.57. Ending balance from March statement: \$7,764.76. This took care of checks for Book Page, Summer Reading Program, Lunch and Learn Lunches and Muskingum Valley Garden Society. We still have allocated funds for Tax Filing and Weasel Boy Brewery to be paid. Report to be filed for audit.

Library Update:

Beth Brown and Stephanie Freas reported that there are positions for part-time customer service at Dresden and New Concord Branches. There is a position for Adult Literacy Specialist at Main Branch. New Fiscal Officer was announced. Tyler Earle is joining the staff on April 17th.

Stephanie reported on plans for remodeling of library still very early stages of relocating departments including the Bookstore.

Beth Brown states that all marketing be directed through her and Branch materials go through Branch Customer Service representative.

Branch Reports:

New Concord: Sue Danhauer reported for Joyce Patton that the Book Sale is May 6, 10-1pm. They voted not to donate money to the System Summer programs but only contribute to the local Branch..

Roseville: Beverly Bell reports a vote on the Summer Reading issue was tabled until their meeting April 26th but discussion was to give a set amount and revisit annually. The Roseville Farmers' Market to begin May 9th.

Duncan Falls: Beth Brown reports 3 active members. They do plan on participating in Farmers Market on Sundays. Planning Summer Reading Kickoff with Bike Safety and Fire Dept. presentation. Plans on having 2 bikes to raffle.

South: Janet James reported plans for book sale on April 29th from 10-2pm. They did vote to donate \$250 toward summer programs to be revisited annually.

With so much discussion over the donation monies this issue was tabled after motion made by Sally Ruggles and seconded by Sue Danhauer until next year. Motion passed.

Committee Updates:

Bookstore: Joanne Brown reported on meeting with Library staff about remodeling and relocation of bookstore with anxious discussion as to location to be visible and accessible. Concerns also voiced about storage issues. March intake over \$1,000. There has been a request for bulk book sale of items to one person, Sally Ruggles to follow up with this person to determine if this is possible.

The Mystery Book in March of Adult Fiction/non-Fiction was successful at \$658.15. Reading Festival on May 13th, The Bookstore will be open to public from 10-1pm with all books at 4/\$1.00 with Children's books being the focus.

Bookstore report: Sarah Brinkman reported March total of \$1,004.10 with total for year at \$2,525.10. Average of \$67 daily. Discussion about teen volunteers in bookstore reviewed and tabled by motion made by Laura Black Natalie and seconded by Gerald Brandt until committee can review library policy on their teen volunteers.

990 Tax Filing was completed making the Friends operational

Two Buck-a-bag: Sale planned for Friends week October 16, 2023, Friday(20th) 3 hours 2:30-5:30pm, volunteers from 2-6pm, public (21st), 10:30-1:30pm. Set up on the 19th.

.Book cart totals from all branches: \$60.76ok cart totals

Membership: Sue Danhauer reported current membership is 313. There were 167 renewal forms mailed out to members in December with 90 renewals received.

Nominating: Gerald Brandt is leaving the Board after the May meeting. Suggestions made for replacements discussed and they will be approached about finishing out the year and serving next year.

Program/Funding: Sue Danhauer made report on Books and Brews at Weasel Boys with itemized recap shared by all members. Total ticket sales: \$1,170. Net income after expenditures: \$857.15. Motion made by Beverly Bell, seconded by Janet James that the Friends offer this annually. Vote carried.

Publicity: Please share library posts on your social media to spread the word of events and happenings by Friends.

Carr Cake Auction(April 26-27): Sarah Brinkman reports time for our cake auction is 9:30am on April 26th. Our Theme is Family Fun Night with games, snacks and family membership to Friends. Cost to not exceed \$200. Sarah shared some games she would like to purchase and the group agreed with plans.

Staff Appreciation: Sally Banfield and Sally Ruggles suggestion of Potluck without date but sometime in August. Hope to set a date by the next meeting.

History: Sally Ruggles is awaiting the staff of the library to digitize materials. Stephanie Freas to investigate a date.

New Business: Minutes to be shared with Branch Presidents of Friends and Manager.

A list of details from Branch reps for inclusion with the minutes.

Possible usage of credit card for Bookstore. Motion made by Sue Danhauer and seconded by Beverly Bell for Sue to investigate costs to use credit cards for memberships, events and the bookstore. Voted and passed.

Corporate membership: Committee already formed and this will be discussed further at next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:11pm with the next meeting scheduled: All members are welcome to attend.

Wednesday, May 10, 2023 at 4:00pm in Meeting Room B.