

Friends of the MCLS
Wednesday, Sept. 13, 2023
Regular Board Meeting in Meeting Room B, 4:00pm

Members Present:

Sally Banfield, President	Sally Ruggles, Vice President
Sarah Brink,an, Outreach Services	Beth Brown, Outreach Services
Laura Black Natalie, Member at Large	Janet James, South Rep.
Joyce Patton, New Concord Rep.	Sue Danhauer, Treasurer
Joanne Brow, Bookstore	Amy Goffee, Member at Large
Stacey Russell, Executive Director MCLS	Samantha Maxwell, HR MCLS
Beverly Bell, Roseville Rep/ Secretary	

Call to Order:

Sally Banfield called the meeting to order at 4pm. The minutes of August 10, 2023 were reviewed and motion made by Janet James, seconded by Beverly Bell to accept minutes. Voted and passed with approved correction of date of meeting. Minutes to be posted to Homepage under Friends tag.

Treasurer's Report:

Sue Danhauer reported the beginning balance of \$13,889.84, deposits of \$1,053.38 bringing the ending balance August 2023 of \$14,637.56. Report will be filed for audit.

Library Updates:

- *Samantha Maxwell, HR, requested Friends to consider assisting for retirement gifts to employees. Discussion ensued about the history of gift giving to retirees. Approximately 10 employees are looking at retirement in the next 1 to 2 years. After discussion a motion to table this was made by Sue Danhauer, seconded by Janet James until April meeting to ensure monies available in treasury with closing of bookstore and commitment to summer reading programs. Voted and tabled until April.
- *Samantha also requested a presentation about the Friends to the All Staff meeting on October 6. Beverly Bell will represent Friends at the meeting with a tour of the Bookstore.
- *Staff updates: Kat Waters is new part time CSA 1 in circulation. Skyler Tignor moved from circulation to adult services.
- *Volunteer hours for August: 255. Yearly total: 1,283
- *Summer Reading Plans for 2024: Date: First Saturday in June, title: "Adventure begins at Your Library".
- *Lunch-n-Learn: Friends have sponsored 2 so far. Program coming up on October 11, 11:30-1:00pm- Ohio Humanities speaker talking about Frankenstein: Myth, Monster, Popular Culture. November speaker will be Susan Holdren, Straker Foundation about their mission. Motion made by Laura Black Natalie, seconded by Joyce Patton that

Friends sponsor the October luncheon. Voted and passed with a cost up to \$300.

Branch Reports:

New Concord: Joyce Patton reported plans for the Puppets and Reading program on Nov. 14, 3:30- 6pm.

Roseville: Beverly Bell reported plans to participate in Community Oktoberfest October 14 from 1-3pm with selling books. Plans for Open House December 7 will be from 5-6:30pm with Santa, horse drawn carriage rides and refreshments. The Farmers Market is going well and will continue through October.

Duncan Falls: Beth Brown reports sponsoring Fall Celebration plans.

South: Janet James reported Pancake Breakfast scheduled for Oct. 7 from 7-11 am at Norwich Hall and Holiday Tea on December 7th.

Committee Reports:

Bookstore: Joanne Brown reported with remodel occurring the volunteers moved all book materials from Outreach Dept. Big job of cleaning, sorting and restocking. The 6 day remodel sale went well with sales totaling \$445.25 first week and \$293 second week. Shelving relocated, carpets need cleaned, entire room needs cleaning, securing shelving, adding curtain as doorway to sorting/volunteer office area, restocking shelves post cleaning. Reviewing prices, credit card usage and hours. October 3 reopening questionable.

*Joanne and Jo Davis are resigning their positions as Bookstore Chairpersons as of this meeting. Duties of positions discussed and recruiting will begin immediately. Motion made by Janet James for up to \$300 spending for curtains to be made for bookstore, seconded by Laura Black Natalie. Vote passed.

*Sarah Brinkman reported bookstore sales of \$7,507 to date. Aug: \$1,157.95. Sept: \$444.80 in 4 days.

*Two Buck-a-bag sale: Friends week- October 16-21st. Friday (20) 2:30-5:30pm, volunteers needed from 2-6pm, public (21st) from 10:30-1:30pm. Set up planned on 19th-11-2pm. Bev volunteered to get bags donated-will try Reisbeck's(300).

Membership: Current:330 including 1 new-Main branch. Still waiting on the cost of venue for Corporate Membership Drive in October or first of 2024.

National Friends Appreciation Week ideas: Sue provided a list of ideas. Friends selected a coupon for a free book at any library location from book carts/shelves and Friends Button. Volunteers signed up for front lobby duty throughout the week to talk about Friend membership.

Nominating Committee: Joanne Brown reported Sally Banfield will continue as President, Beverly Bell nominated for Vice President, At Large member is Amy Goffee, at large member-Karla Frye, Past President- Anna Marie Katt, Secretary post open-Laura Black Natalie declined, and Sue Danhauer will be completing her second year in 2023-2024 term. Branches will choose a representative to the Board.

Staff Appreciation: Suggestion of Staff Breakfast on December 5th at 7:30am. Stacey Russell stated the Library will order food and Friends will pay for breakfast.

PAC: Sally Banfield reported PAC report filed in July.

Other Business: Social media will be flyers for Friends Week planned. Need to recruit a new Chairperson for Bookstore- Discussion of suggested people to approach. Joanne Brown will follow up with suggested people.

Next Meeting: October 11, 2023, 4:00pm in Meeting Room B.