

Friends of the MCLS
Wednesday, October 11, 2023
Regular Board Meeting in Meeting Room B, 4:00pm

Members Present:

Sally Banfield, President

Anna Marie Katt, Past President

Joyce Patton, New Concord Rep.

Joanne Brown, Bookstore

Sue Danhauer, Treasurer

Sally Ruggles, Vice President

Janet James, South Rep.

Amy Goffee, Member at Large/Bookstore

Stephanie Freas, Asst. Director MCLS

Beverly Bell, Roseville Rep/Secretary

Call to Order:

Sally Banfield called the meeting to order at 4:05pm. The minutes of September 13, 2023 were reviewed and motion made by Janet James and seconded by Joyce Patton to accept minutes. Voted and passed. Minutes are to be posted to the Homepage under the Friends link.

Treasurer's Report:

Sue Danhauer reported the beginning balance of \$14,637.56, with deposits of \$1,062.75 bringing ending balance for October, 2023 of \$15,702.00. Pending expenses and allocated funds for the remainder of 2023 for 990 fee (taxes), the Staff Christmas appreciation breakfast, the Festival of Trees, the October Lunch and Learn, Bookstore Fabric, and sales tax for bookstore.

Library Updates:

Stephanie Freas reported that the staff development program with 55 employees attending had various topics. Currently, there are no openings for staff. Beverly Bell presented to staff about what Friends is and how much fun and hard work goes into being a "Friend".

Plans for an area around the Ornament Tree with benches out in front of the library. Summer Reading Wrap Up presentation by Haley Shaw demonstrated 2.5 million minutes=40,000hours of reading. A request made for monies for the Summer Reading Program of \$10,000. A motion was made by Anna Marie Katt and seconded by Beverly Bell for \$10,000 to be given to SRP-Adventure Begins at Your Library. It passed and will be available for the program as needed. The Library is planning on the Columbus Zoo visiting all branches during SRP.

The Lunch and Learn about Frankenstein went well and Beth Brown is to submit the cost to the treasurer for payment.

Branch Reports:

New Concord-Joyce Patton reported a puppet/toy sale is happening on November 14 from 3:30-6pm. The Holiday Open House is planned for December 7 from 5:30-7pm

with choir performance and refreshments..

Roseville-Beverly Bell reported plans to participate in Oktoberfest on the 14th from 1-3pm where they will be selling books. Open House planned for Dec. 7th with carriage rides, choir and refreshments. Farmers Market has gone well and will end October 24th.

Duncan Falls-No report

South-Janet James reported the Pancake Breakfast successful with \$480 profit.

November planning Mystery Box sale from 6th through 18th.

December 7 will be the Holiday Tea from 5-6:30pm. There is a limit to the number of participants.

Committee Reports:

Bookstore: Amy Goffee is now heading the Bookstore. She reported a plan for reopening on October 24th. They are planning special sales (Mystery Box) after the Two-buck-a-bag sales on October 19th and 20th. Suggestion of boxes of donuts to maintenance for all their help in Bookstore events made by Sally Banfield, seconded by Sally Ruggles.

Membership: Sue Danhauer reported current membership is 264. Friends Table will be manned the week of October 16-19th in the Library lobby.

Nominating: Joanne Brown reported Karla Frye accepted the nomination for Secretary. Discussion of At Large nomination for John Frick, Current officers: Sally Banfield, President; Beverly Bell, Vice President; Amy Goffee, At Large; Laura Black Natalie, At Large; Anna Marie Katt, Past President; Sue Danhauer finishing second year as Treasurer. Branch Reps from each branch. Anna Marie Katt made motion to add another At Large position to Board, seconded by Beverly Bell. Voted and passed.

Program: Sue Danhauer reported need to secure dates for Books and Brews. Plans to move forward on this event. Sally yo contact Lori and Jay Wince.

Publicity: Beverly Bell reported she presented staff development for the Library.

Joanne Brown and Sally Banfield to be on WHIZ discussing Bookstore reopening.

Staff Appreciation: Joyce Patton made motion for monies from two-buck-a-bag sales to go toward the breakfast, seconded by Beverly Bell. Additional motion made by Sally Ruggles, seconded by Amy Goffee to make up the amount to \$600 if don't make enough in sales. Voted and passed.

PAC: Sally Banfield reported filed in July. Current funds in checking and savings, \$12,059.05

Corporate Membership: Still need discussion for plans to initiate 2024.

Staff Retirement: Tabled until April 2024.

Other Business: Joyce Patton raised the question about offering membership to Early Childhood Education program at College and inform of Sales for children materials. Unfortunately there are not enough books/materials to campaign for these students to prosper from sales.

Treasurer posting in future.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30pm.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 8, 2023, 4pm in Meeting Room B.