## Friends of the MCLS Board Meeting

Wednesday, Sept 11, 2024

## Present:

Sally Banfield, President Beverly Bell, vice president

Sue Danhauer, Treasurer John Furek, at Large

Laura Natalie, at Large Joyce Patton, New Concord Rep Janet James, SZ Rep Terri Taylor, Duncan Falls Rep

Joanne Brown, Nominating Com

Sean Fennell, MCLS Marketing/Community Stacey Russell, Executive Director, MCLS

**Absent:** Karla Frye, Secretary

**Call to Order:** President Sally Banfield called the meeting to order.

Minutes: A motion to accept the August minutes was made by Laura Natalie/Sue

Danhauer. Approved.

**Treasurer:** Sue Danhauer reported earned income was \$2,873.65 in the month of August. This included money from the Book Store, 2 buck a bag sale, memberships, lobby donations and other donations. Expenses for the month was the \$1500 donation to the library remodel. This leaves an ending balance of \$19,290.72. This report was approved and will be filed for audit.

**Library updates:** Sean reported that 212.5 volunteer hours were checked in during August. Volunteers have been replenishing the books for the lobby sales. As the book store closed, the supply was boxed and put under the stairs in the lobby for restocking.

Stacey mentioned ideas to continue selling books such as Mystery Boxes. Outreach activities and possible partnership with the Book Barn. Sue will collect the money from the donation box each Monday and Wednesday. Stacey reported that 20% of the \$500,000 goal has been met. Letters will be going out to the local leaders soon. Phase 1 of the remodel has begun in the restrooms and Mini Mac area. The main area is planned to be closed on Nov. 9th. She also noted that Chip Slack will retire on Oct.18th with 35 years of service.

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## **Branch Reports:**

New Concord- Joyce Patton reported that they had been busy with programs.. Isiah McDanield, an Eagle Scout, is working on a little library for his project.

Roseville- Bev Bell reported that the end of summer party was a big success. The Farmers Market will end Sept 24th. On October 19 they will host a craft bazaar, Oct 7 will have a program with a dinosaur theme and Dec. 5 will host the Holiday Open House.

Duncan Falls- Terri Taylor reported that they will meet next week. They are hosting a Lunch & Learn on Oct. 18 and the Harvest Party (trunk or treat) on Oct. 25.

South Zanesville- Janet James reported that they will meet next week. The Pancakes and Paperbacks fundraiser will take place Oct 5th.and the Holiday Open House is being planned.

## **Committee Updates:**

- Bookstore- The store continues to bring in \$331..50 in August sales.
   Opportunities to volunteer will still be needed for sorting, outreach sites and little libraries.
- Two Buck-a- Bag Sale \$923 was realized from the sale plus several new memberships. The U Haul boxes we purchased have come in handy. We used them to store things from the Friends Book Store.
- Membership There were several new members mainly from the 2 buck a bag sale, bringing in \$400.
- Nominating Committee An at large representative is needed. Sue Danhouer was suggested to fill that seat. A Book store chairperson is also needed.
- Program- Will meet in November to think of ways to generate funds while closed
- Publicity- Due to the closing of the book store, Stacey will put the Cake Auction, Festival of Trees, and flower pots in the regular Library budget for 2025. We will continue to do an entry for the Festival of Trees this year.
- Staff Appreciation: Stacey will let us know what to do when appropriate.
- PAC No activity

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 9, 2024 at 4:00PM

Respectfully submitted,

Janet James