

**FRIENDS OF THE AMHERST PUBLIC LIBRARY
MEETING, JULY 24, 2019**

Called to Order: 11:15 am

Present: Sharon Vollmer, Sherry Dispenza, Charlene Kalo, Sue Underwood, Marilyn Bronson, Barbara Surovy, Bev Paige, Kay Clark, Carol Valenti, Diane Lamoreaux, Marilyn Hubbard, Judy Alexander, Cookie McLoda, Maureen Dix

Moderator: Sharon Vollmer

Past Minutes: Approved

Financials: Checking: \$13,127.02 CD: \$5,735.99 Total Assets: \$18,863.01 Book Box: \$96.00

OLD BUSINESS

Membership: Carol Valenti reports 102 current members.

Dine to Donate: Carol Valenti reported that the Friends received \$361.00 from Olde Town Pizza from our dine to donate event in June.

Shred Day: Carol Valenti reported that the 6th annual Shred Day on Saturday, July 16th was a success. The truck was active for 3.61 hours. 8,400 pounds of paper were shredded. Last year it was 8,300 pounds. A note will be sent to the boy scouts thanking them for their hard work. The cost to the Friends was \$456.86.

Summer Reading Fair: The Friends were asked to donate to the library's summer reading fair. Two hundred and fifty tickets, redeemable at Hasty Tasty for a small ice cream cone, were purchased and placed in goodie bags for attendees at a cost of \$500.00. Maureen Dix made a motion that \$500.00 be paid to Hasty Tasty for the tickets. Marilyn Hubbard seconded. Motion passed.

Blue Bags: The circulation desk reported the need for more blue bags. After obtaining price quotes for varying quantities, it was decided to purchase 1500 bags from JanWay Company. The cost is \$570.00, plus a \$92.00 shipping charge, bringing the total cost to \$662.00. Individual cost of the bags is \$.38. Cookie McLoda made a motion to purchase the bags. Marilyn Hubbard seconded. Motion carried. Maureen Dix place the order.

Kindergarten Book Project: Copies of "Giraffes Can't Dance" will be purchased as soon as final school enrollment figures are available.

2019 Fundraiser Tea: The second annual fundraiser tea is scheduled for Sunday, September 15th. Charlene Kalo reported that she and her staff will be unable to cater the event this year due to her upcoming surgery. The committee will immediately begin to search for a new caterer. Judy will print tickets, Sue will obtain tea cups and plates, Judy will obtain table cloths and place mats, Maureen will get the tea. The menu committee will consist of Judy, Cookie and Charlene.

Tickets: Tickets for the tea will go on sale for \$20.00 on August 1st. Tickets for the 2019 Author Luncheon will be available on September 1st. The cost is also \$20.00.

2019 Author Luncheon: The 2019 author luncheon is scheduled for Thursday, October 24th at Heritage Presbyterian Church. The speaker is Thrity Umrigar.

2020 Author Luncheon: The 2020 author luncheon will be held on Thursday, October 22, 2020. The speaker will be Julie Zickefoose. Her book is "Baby Birds".

NEW BUSINESS

Donation: Four tickets to the author luncheon were donated. Two to the Chocolate and Wine Walk and two to the Summer Reading Fair.

Adjourned: 11:43 am

Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 28th at 11:15

Respectfully Submitted,
Maureen Dix, Secretary