

**FRIENDS OF THE AMHERST PUBLIC LIBRARY
MEETING
MARCH 23, 2011**

Called to Order: 11:23 AM

Present: Marilyn Hubbard, Carol Valenti, Becky Demich, Judy Alexander, Mary Margaret Hyde, Marilynn Bronson, Kay Clark, Barbara Brown, Cookie McLoda, Sharon Vollmer, Maureen Dix

President: Cookie McLoda

Minutes: Sharon Vollmer move, seconded by Becky Demich. to accept the November 16 minutes. Motion carried.

Marilyn Hubbard moved, seconded by Marilynn Bronson, to accept the minutes from the February 23 meeting. Motion carried.

Financial: Checking: \$8,536.96 C.D: \$5,924.09 Total Assets: \$14,461.05 The treasurer's report was filed for audit.

Treasurer Marilyn Hubbard prepared and read an annual report. The report was filed for audit.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Book Nook: Kay Clark reported no activity with the book nook, due to library construction. Carol Valenti stated that the book nook will be in a new location when the library reopens.

Bulletin Board: Carol Valenti reported that there is currently no bulletin board, due to library construction, but that it, too, will have a new location.

Bylaws: President Cookie McLoda presented proposed copies of the amended Bylaws to be voted on in the April 27 meeting. Along with minor wording changes, committee definitions and membership fees have been added.

Hospitality: President Cookie McLoda thanked chairpersons Judy Alexander and Carol Valenti and their committee members for the lovely job that they did with the February Friends annual meeting and luncheon.

Library Liaison: N/A

Membership: N/A

Publicity: N/A

OLD BUSINESS

Author Luncheon: Carol Valenti moved, seconded by Mary Margaret Hyde, that the Friends go forward with plans for the October 20 author luncheon. Motion carried.

Barbara Brown reported that renting the hall at Heritage Presbyterian Church is doubtful. Other venues were discussed. Cookie McLoda contacted the Lorain County Metroparks about the seating capacity of the venue at Lakeview Park. With tables, the capacity is 150. The hospitality committee will investigate venues and caterers.

NEW BUSINESS

Sharon Vollmer: President Cookie McLoda thanked immediate past-president Sharon Vollmer for her ten years of service as president of the Friends organization and presented her with a small gift. Judy Alexander moved, seconded by Mary Margaret Hyde, that Sharon be awarded lifetime membership to Friends. Motion carried.

Library Security: Judy Alexander, library board member, reported that the library has received a large donation in memory of Linda Lopez. The donation is being used to purchase an RFID security and inventory system for the library and is currently being installed.

Motion to Adjourn: Sharon Vollmer moved to adjourn the meeting.
Adjourned at 12:08 PM

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 27, 11:15 AM at Amherst Historical Society Social Hall

Respectfully Submitted,
Maureen Dix, Secretary