

**FRIENDS OF THE AMHERST PUBLIC LIBRARY MEETING
JUNE 28, 2023**

Called to Order: 11:15 am

President: Cookie McLoda

Present: Sandra Ruth, Kay Clark, Diane Lamoreaux, Mary Margaret Hyde, Carol Hutner, Holly Mihok, Becky Demich, Judy Alexander, Sharon Vollmer, Patti Drew, Jackie Fedako, Carol Inness, Angela Cecil, Kathy MacLean, Marilyn Hubbard, Cookie McLoda, Maureen Dix, Carol Valenti, Malvine Zahrarka, Marilynn Bronson, Laurie Laubacher, Sherry Dispenza, Tami Selent, Barbara Brown, Becky Denes

Previous Minutes: Sharon Vollmer made a motion that the minutes from the April meeting be approved. There was no May meeting. Marilynn Bronson seconded. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Marilyn Hubbard submitted the following report:

April: Checking: \$7,637.03 CD: \$5,925.18 Total Assets: \$13,526.51 Book Box: \$106.20

May: Checking: \$8583.19 CD: \$5,925.18 Total Assets: \$14,508.33 Book Box: \$95.50

Treasurer's report was submitted for audit.

Correspondence: A note was received from John Sekletar thanking the Friends for their donation of \$100.00 to The Veteran's Mural Association.

Library Liaison: Becky Denes is looking for a Quarry Bear handler on July 19. Cookie volunteered. She also needs bartenders for the Alcohol Alternative event Thursday, June 27th from 6:30 – 8:00 and at the booth for Walking on Wednesday on July 12th. Sherry Dispenza volunteered.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Authors Luncheon: Judy Alexander stated that the luncheon is scheduled for Thursday, October 26th at Sunset Terrace in Lakeview Park. The speaker is Bob Adamov.

Book Nook: Kay Clark encouraged members to place their used books on the shelf in the nook.

Book Sale: The total, including contributions to the donation jar, was \$918.00. The income was lower than previous book sales. It was felt that competition from three other book sales scheduled on the same weekend contributed to this. Judy and Bill transported several van loads of leftover books to the Goodwill bookstore in Westlake.

December Tea: The tentative date is December 7th.

Fundraising: Liz Hui submitted a report stating that patrons will soon be able to donate to the Friends via Pay Pal. There will be a link on the library website. She stated that 31 T Shirts have been sold yielding a profit of \$296.18 which includes a \$30.00 donation.

Membership: Holly Mihok reported that there are currently 115 members. Nine new members have joined, including six during the book sale.

Pack the Backpack: Cookie McLoda will be contacting the schools and the police to determine a date.

Community Shred: Carol Valenti will confirm the date of Saturday, July 15th with the county. Marilynn Bronson stated that a check is needed for the boy scouts.

Publicity: Marilynn and Holly reported that publicity has begun for Shred Day via Facebook.

Sunshine: Members are encouraged to contact Kathy Michaels with information.

NEW BUSINESS

Trivia Night: Carol, Liz and Judy are working on the possibility of Friends sponsoring a Trivia Night to raise funds for an additional AED unit for the library. Judy submitted a detailed outline. They are looking at holding it in the library possibly in February of 2024.

Adjourn: Sharon Vollmer made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 11:58 am

Next Meeting: Wednesday, July 28, 2023

Respectfully Submitted,
Maureen Dix, Secretary