

**FRIENDS OF THE AMHERST PUBLIC LIBRARY MEETING  
JULY 26, 2023**

**Called to Order:** 11:15am

**President:** Cookie McLoda

**Present:** Sharon Vollmer, Becky Demich, Sherry Dispenza, Carol Valenti, Laurie Laubacher, Patti Drew, Jackie Fedako, Kay Clark, Cookie McLoda, Sandra Ruth, Liz Hui, Bev Paige, Marcia Kubach, Brenda Charny, Marilynn Bronson, Barbara Brown, Becky Denes

**Previous Minutes:** Sharon Vollmer made a motion that the minutes from the June meeting be approved. Kay Clark seconded. The motion carried.

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

June:

Checking: \$8,913.99

CD: \$5,925.27

Total Assets: \$14,861.26

Collected in July:

Book Box: \$75.00

Bonfire Shirts: \$22.78

Treasurer's report was submitted for audit.

**Correspondence:** None

**Library Liaison:** Becky Denes stated that the 19<sup>th</sup> annual community scavenger hunt will take place during the month of August. A couponing class will be held on July 31. The Fairy Tea Party is a kid + grown-up registered event and will be held on September 9. There will be an all-ages concert with the Victor Samalot Duo on Saturday, October 7 to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, which runs from September 15 through October 15. The Lorain County Dolly Parton Imagination Library is holding a dine-to-donate spirit night at Chick Fil-A from 5:00-8:00pm on Thursday, July 27.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Authors Luncheon:** The Authors Luncheon will be held on October 26; looking into Kiedrowski's cupcakes.

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

**Bulletin Board:** Carol Valenti stated that the jacket for the author's luncheon book will be posted on the bulletin board.

**Fundraising:** Liz Hui stated that the Friends is receiving t-shirt orders one or two at a time. The online donation tool is live and we've received our first online donation. We have developed email templates for: 1) someone who makes a donation in memory, 2) an acknowledgement of the donation to go to the family of the deceased individual, 3) an acknowledgement/thank you to anyone who has made a t-shirt purchase.

**Pack the Backpack:** Cookie McLoda stated that the Pack the Backpack event will take place Wednesday, August 16, from 4:00-7:00 in the library parking lot. The Friends is partnering with the Amherst Police Department, Amherst Fire Department, and Amherst Utilities Department.

**Community Shred:** Carol Valenti stated that the shredding event was successful.

**Publicity:** Holly Mihok submitted a report stating that a Shred It Day thank you was posted to Facebook, as well as the July Friends meeting event information.

**Sunshine:** Kathy Michaels stated that a card was mailed to Don Lamoreaux.

**Adjourn:** Kay Clark made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 11:58am

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, August 23, 2023

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cookie McLoda, President