

## FRIENDS OF THE ANGIE W. COX LIBRARY

Minutes, July 9, 2024

Meeting was called to order by vice president Judy Skaar.

Present: Kristina McGuire, Troy Becker, Brenda Miller, Jane Bartels, Judy Skaar, Ginny McNeal, Tina McElroy, Tina Iyama-Kurtycz, Polly Vilstrup, Joan Foster.

No guests attended.

Treasurer's Report: Troy distributed the monthly report. Marketplace brought in \$86.00, Pie Social \$445.60 and \$5.00 for membership dues. After a \$1,000 donation to the summer reading program, there is a final balance this month of \$5319.60. Moved by Jane, seconded by Polly to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report: Copies of June's minutes were distributed. After spelling corrections and an error to the final balance from last month, Tina Mc moved with a second by Polly to approve the corrected minutes. Motion carried.

No membership report.

Library Report: Kristina reported that the summer reading party will take place on August 10, from 10 am - 2 pm. This is also the day of Pardeeville's Sidewalk Sale. Kristina sent around a sign-up sheet for volunteers to help run the event. Each station will also have a staff member present. Kristina will also post the sign-up on the ap just like she did for the pie social last month. Emma's monthly newsletter continues to get rave reviews from patrons and several have asked to have it sent to their email addresses. The summer reading program continues to be very successful with Drop-in and In-person choices throughout the month. In June, 48 people came to the Drop-in dates and 29 came in person. Judy commented on Laureen and Jerry and Maude, also. All of them have been huge supporters and helpers over the years and we need to keep them in our prayers.

Old Business: The pie social we hosted was a booming success. We did not have to deal with rain that evening and there were plenty of pies. After some last minute pie donations, we figured we had around 30 pies-which turned out to be plenty. Kristina decided not to continue with any items for the Wish List and was very appreciative of the \$1,000.00 donation for the summer reading program.

New Business: Cookbooks are no longer being accepted for donations. Judy confirmed that her 'team' of workers are busily working to get prepared for the book sale on 8/10. Book prices will remain the same:\$8 for a paper bag of books and \$5 for a plastic bag filled with books. We encourage people to not cram the paper bags so full that they split open. Troy and hopefully Jane's family will erect the tents out on the sidewalk. We are planning on having it outside (cross your fingers) so that the book sale and the summer reading party will not be crowding all together in the library.

Less expensive carts were ordered from Amazon to aid in the book sale and Kristina is waiting for the Endowment Board to approve that purchase. Joan reported on the outside furniture being ordered from Yoder Outdoor Furniture. His price was 1/4 of other bids. There will be two 72" tables with five chairs and one bench for each. A 60" couch was also ordered, along with a

coffee table, and five armchairs and two tables between those chairs. The furniture is expected in 8-10 weeks, but with all the rain this year, construction has slowed down outside in the entire area. The Bistro area is still being planned. Possibilities of a shade awning (similar to the one at The Dump in Cambria), or perhaps a pergola. Kristina reported that the fountain out front needed to be shut off since the excessive rains caused sand to be settling into the sump pump and this meant that the fountain's pump was overheated and couldn't work properly. Pat Dixon out of Portage has been called to assess the problems and repair the fountain.

No Library Board Update.

No County Board Update.

Next meeting is Monday, August 12 at 5:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 6:17 pm.