

Friends of Marcellus Free Library, Inc.
Minutes -April 15, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Michele Merwarth, President at 4:06 PM via Zoom. Also in attendance were Richelle Jenkins, Susan Spencer, and Paulette Quinn.

Absent: Vicki Finkle, Audrey Kearney, Gloria Weeks, Nancy Scanlon

The minutes for March 25th were approved as previously submitted. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report for March was received and placed on file.

Michele alerted those attending that there was an error on the Directors contact sheet for Richelle's phone number and she will send out a correction.

The Spring Book Sale was discussed. Given the current Covid-19 crisis and cancellation of the Olde Home Days, it cannot go forward as usual. Several options were discussed. We may have some sort of book sale at a different time. Dottie will be consulted about the best way forward. We will need to quit accepting books once the library reopens due to space concerns. A motion to cancel the book sale carried.

Nominating Committee - The nominating committee according to our policy procedures document (currently being finalized) should be comprised of the Past President and at least one director. Audrey Kearney was not available for the meeting due to technical problems. Michele will contact her about this. We know that the Recording Secretary, Nancy Scanlon, will be leaving as she has served for 3 years.

Library Workers Day -Tuesday April 21st - Michele will place a message of appreciation on our Facebook page since we cannot take flowers to the library on that date to honor them this year.

National Library Week - April 19th - 25th - Michele will place a big heart on the door that says we love you and miss you. She will also take a picture to post on the Facebook page and write an article to be placed in the Press Observer.

Wegmans Gift Card - Wegmans had donated a gift card for the now canceled basket raffle and said we should keep it. There was discussion about how to use it and it was decided that we would use it to get a deli tray or snacks for the library workers in the week prior to opening as they will be in the library getting it ready for opening. A motion was made to use the Wegmans gift card for food for the library staff and send the flowers normally given them on Library Workers Day during the week that the staff is preparing the library to open. Motion carried.

Policy/Procedures - Paulette reported that the committee is now meeting by email and the deadline for committee members to respond to the initial group of materials that was sent for review is April 30th.

Other Business - Michele reported on the Board of Trustees meeting. They had initially decided to raise the amount asked for on the school tax ballot by 2% but have voted not to do that in consideration of current events. They are checking to make sure the funding is still in place for the building project before going forward.

Next meeting May 27th - It will be necessary to see if we are able to have a physical meeting before we know exactly what we will do.

Meeting adjourned at 4:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Spencer