



Friends of Marcellus Free Library Meeting - 9 AM

Friends of the Library Community Room - Nov 30, 2023

President Jackie Smith called the meeting to order at 9:07 am

Welcome:

Jackie reminded everyone to sign in & record their volunteer hours. With the delayed arrival of the Recording Secretary and the minimal agenda items Jackie agreed to take the minutes until Diana arrived. Jackie added an abbreviated Board of Trustees report to the agenda.

Attendance:

Present: Jackie Smith, President; Domenick Patti, Vice President; Diana Osborne, Recording Secretary; Michele Merwarth, Corresponding Secretary; Jim Shake, Treasurer; Audrey Kearney, Director; Karen Pollard, Director

Absent: Debbie Grousset, Deputy Treasurer

Total Attendance: 18

Reports:

Secretary: The October 2023 minutes were previously distributed to board members. Motion to accept the minutes was made, seconded, and passed. Minutes will be sent to the library for posting on the FMFL page.

Treasurer: Jim presented the financial reports for October & current balances through 11/28/23 and gave an annual filing update. Each director received the statements. The reports will be filed as read.

Jim also presented a proposed Budget for use during the remaining fiscal year. Discussion was held and recommendations made, Jim will update the report and distribute at the January meeting.

2022-2023 Financial Review: Jim presented the completed 2022-2023 financial review, the board members will review and discuss any items needing response at the January meeting.

Board of Trustees: Jackie sent the Director's Report to the board members but wanted to add that it was voted on that as of January the library hours will change from 9am to 9:30am opening so that hours could be extended on Saturdays until 4pm.

Membership: Michele reported that we currently have 173 members, including 38 new members. 34 members from last year have not yet renewed. 40 members have renewed at the \$50 or above level. Membership includes 26 couples. Jim & Michele will get together to balance the number of memberships with the membership funds taken in.

Business:

Funds Reimbursement:

- Holiday Open House Goodie Bags: Michele requested reimbursement of \$16.25 for the 30 goodie bags she put together. Motion was made, seconded, and passed.
- Holiday Open House Theme Decorations: Jackie requested reimbursement of \$111.69 for decorations purchased for the children's areas at Sophia's request. Motion was made, seconded, and passed.

Other:

- Michele shared that she recently learned the Friends of Camillus Library has dissolved.
- Audrey recommended a couple of volunteers be solicited to go shopping after the holidays to purchase discounted holiday decorations to update our inventory.

Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:46 am for the scheduled activities.

Activity:

Decorate the Library:

Potluck Social:

Next activity: January 4th - Take down decorations

Next meeting: January 25th @ 1pm - Library Work Day

Submitted by Diana Osborne