

Friends of Onondaga Free Library
Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
April 7, 2021

Due to Covid-19 the meeting was conducted via Zoom.

PRESENT:

Directors: Mary Buckout, Barbara Leigh, Pamela McLaughlin, Susan Parry, Mary Beth Roach,
John Thornton and Donna Zeolla Absent: George Bain
Library Staff: Susan Morgan
Members: Amy Kremenek and Mary Taylor

The meeting began at 7:01PM. Mary Beth R. welcomed Amy K. to our meeting. Amy K. has been involved with OFL since 2004 and has served for six years on the Board of Trustees. She currently works at OCC and is pursuing her doctorate.

We have updated our page on the Library's website and Chantal Rothermel will link it to our newsletter.

The minutes for March were read on-line. Barbara L. made a motion to accept them, seconded by Mary B. and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mary Beth R.

- George B. sent his reports to all via e-mail. Our current balance in the checking account is \$4161.58, about \$2000.00 less than we had last year at this time. John T. made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Mary B. and approved.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Susan M.

- This week is National Library Week and we are glad to be open to celebrate.
- Our next speaker for the Strathmore Series will be Eddie Brennan, owner of Beak and Skiff. This series has been very well attended.
- We are getting ready for the book sale and our summer programming.
- We had excellent stats for March with 2400 people coming through the door and over 15000 physical items circulated. We will now be open on Monday and Wednesday evenings. Books are still being quarantined for four days. We are hoping that the new CDC report will help us get to no quarantine time soon.
- Thanks to Friends for all our support.

ELECTIONS: Susan P.

OFFICERS: One year term: April 2021-April 2022

Treasurer: George Bain

Secretary: Susan Parry

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Three year term: April 2021-April 2024

Susan Parry

Mary Beth Roach

John Thornton

Board of Directors: One year term to fill a resignation: April 2021-April 2022

Mary Taylor

The slate was presented to the group. Nominations from the floor were opened. There were none. John T. made a motion to accept the slate as presented, seconded by Barbara L. and approved.

No voting needed - just FYI

Officers expiring in April 2022

President-Mary Beth Roach

Vice-President Pamela McLaughlin
Directors expiring in April 2022
George Bain,
Pamela McLaughlin
Mary Taylor
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Mary Buckout
Barbara Leigh
Donna Zeolla

BOOK SALE: Susan P.

- Signs and postcards will go out in the beginning of May. We will be using conference rooms to sort books as it will be much easier to get them to the back lot. I have been communicating with a student from LeMoyne to take our left over books. More on that in May.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: Kathy DeSanctis

- Happy Easter everyone!
We had two additional members join in March, 2021. We have 144 members who have donated \$8,370.72. That's an average donation of \$58.13. We are probably at the end of donations until our 2022 membership drive in Sept.

LITTLE FREE LIBRARY: Mary Beth R.

- A big thanks to Lance Parry and Leo Berman for installing the Little Free Library. Some of the old books were weeded out. It looks great. Susan M. will have the old one refurbished by a friend.
- We have submitted a picture for the inaugural Little Free Library's Week that Anne Andrianos mentioned.
- Mary Beth R. has registered for the Read in Color Program. She has written a letter to the organization to help us bolster our entry for more diverse books. We hope that we can get some books on Native Americans since we are so close to Onondaga Nation.
- Mary Beth R. would like to install a plaque mentioning that the Little Free Library is sponsored by OFL and the Friends. She will get quotes and get back to us.

Susan M. will check to see if we need more stickers for the Summer Reading Program. Mary Beth R. can print them if we need them.

We will table expenditure protocols until May.

We need more envelopes. Should we use labels for the return address rather than stamping them? John T. said that labels look better. Sometimes the stamps are unclear. We will go with labels.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:21PM. Our next meeting will be Wednesday May 5 at 7:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Parry, Secretary