

Friends of the Rosendale Library
Minutes September 11, 2021

Present: Eileen Hall, Eileen Meltzer, Joan Boris, JoAnn Reuben, Florence Staats, Carol Campion, Jackie Davis, Katie Scott-Childress

Secretary's Report

Joann made a correction to last meeting's minutes- delete the sentence "money budgeted for the Ulster County Library Association Dinner is not needed"

Carol made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Joan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Money is available for the NYLA meeting November 3-6. Early registration is \$30 and a person may register for either in-person or on line conferences. Anyone interested should apply to the Friends to pay for it.

JoAnn reported that we are able to eliminate the budget line which transferred funds from our savings into the Friend's checking. We are now "in the black." We have received \$5815 in donations. A book was sold on Amazon for \$41.

We will be receiving a free PayPal reader and a few of us will learn to use Zettle prior to the book sale. We will meet on 9/20/21 at 4:30 at the library.

Old Business

Book adoption day- Joan reported that books are in boxes and labeled. Set up for the sale will be Friday 9/24 at 4:30. Eileen M. gave a report on the volunteers for the event.

Onesies, notecards, canvas bags and items from Nancy Tuller will be for sale at the book sale.

Book discussion- It will be held October 24th at the library. The selection is The Lions of Fifth Avenue.

FRL membership letter- The letter will be sent out Mid-November and will also thank the people who donated after receiving the last appeal letter. Eileen H and JoAnn will work on this letter.

Summer reading program- The program was very successful this year. Katie wrote a grant and received funds from the Stewarts Corp. Alison organized weekly afternoon craft projects at the library and at the Rosendale Day Camp. There was a lovely end of the year event on the library lawn attended by parents, grandparents and children.

Rose Window Enews for Oct. and Nov.- Enews will include the Book Discussion, Raffle baskets and holiday gifts available at the library. We decided to have 4 raffle baskets- pets, young children, older children and Indigo Mist donation basket.

Pavilion Purchase update- Katie reported that she is meeting with the contractor, Eric Friedman because there is more flexibility in what we get made. She will find out about the NYS construction grant application in 2 weeks. The board has a building committee working on these projects. The Library furnace was able to be fixed so replacing the whole system is not urgent.

New Business

Bookcellar The book cellar will open to the public beginning at the end of October until the end of the year. Only one person at a time may go downstairs for up to 30 minutes to take as many books as they wish and leave a donation at the desk. At the end of the year all left-over book will be disposed of. Water is still coming up in the basement through the floor. We will call this sale the “Book Cellar Closeout”

Library Board Report

Jackie reported that everything is going well. The Board needs a new President and a new board member. She thanked the Friends for their work

Carol made a motion to adjourn the meeting. JoAnn seconded the motion

Submitted by

Eileen Meltzer, Secretary