

Friends of Rosendale Library -- March 9, 2019

Attendance- Eileen Hall, Jo Ann Reuben, Eileen Meltzer, Joan Boris, Carol Campion, Lynn Kirschhoffer, Florence Staats, Ann Sarrantonio

Secretary's Report- Motion to accept minutes Eileen M., 2nd by Joan B.

- Youth Center Class that we will fund will happen in the Fall. Matt McClusky already has classes lined up until then.

Treasurer's Report – No formal report because this is not the end of a quarter.

- Jo Ann has arranged for Merck & Shuman CPAs to take over our taxes. Sue Minter is no longer servicing corporate clients. Jo Ann will see them soon.

- Amazon Smile income from Oct.-Dec. was received- \$70.54. Thanks to all especially Florence.

- Jo Ann opened two 15 mo. CDs at Catskill-Hudson bank, they will earn 2.45%. One was \$10,000 from our general savings and the other was \$10,000 from Capital Campaign.

Old Business- Advocacy Day in Albany went well. Carl Welden our board member attended with folders for Rep. Cahill and Sen. Metzger. Keep the pressure on by going to www.nyla.org and sending an email letter in support of full library finding.

- Scholarship applications are being received. Deadline for submissions is April 15, we will make the decision by May 10. |Readers are: Eileen H., Eileen M., & Joan B. We have 2 scholarships this year. A new scholarship in Memory of Matthew C. Bowen is being funded by his family.

- Next book discussion is April 28 at 2pm at the library. The book is A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles.

- 60th Anniv. Present from the FRL to the library. We tried enlarging the color postcard of the old church that is now the library. We will have to stay with an 8.5 X 11 on good paper because enlarging it any further causes the resolution to be bad. We will frame this and hang by the circ. desk.

- Rose Window eNewsletter- APRIL- Book Discussion, Book Adoption Day, Scholarship, Sue's program; MAY- Preview of Little Library project (Joan).

New Business – Little Library Project- (for promoting literacy and the love of reading as well as strengthening a sense of community) Joe Boris brought in wonderful sketches of the little library that he will build for us. It even has a peak and a faux Rose Window. It is 22" wide 14" deep and has 2 shelves 10" apart. Joe will build this and send us a bill for supplies and labor. Since Judith is in FL, Eileen H. will call Jeanne Walsh to ask who we need to get approval from to install it at the playground near the Community Center. See the great description of what the Saugerties library and Friends are doing on midhudson.org, search little libraries. We will decide later whether to order a plaque from littlelibraries.org.

- Amazon sale helpers are needed to help Andy package and mail items we sell when he is not on shift at the library. Andy will notify us when we sell a book and then we go to the library and package and mail the book. Currently Ann S. will help out on Tuesdays and Thursdays and Rose Unes is helping on other days. If you can help let Ann S. know. We have instructions.

- Basement renovations- we are waiting for the library board to decide on a plan of action with the repairs needed in the bookcellar and the back basement. They are currently seeking a general contractor to spearhead the jobs.

- Book Adoption Day – April 13 10am-3pm – Take what you wish- Pay what you wish. Rose is making flyers for this event. We passed around a shift list, two persons needed to sit in the bookcellar to accept the money per shift. See the sign up at the desk.

Library Board Report- No board member was present but Ann S. and Jo Ann R. attended the Feb. board meeting. Sheila Brady is applying for the open board position. We decided to ask if the FRL could have a representative on the search committee for a new director.

Respectfully submitted- Ann Sarrantonio (secretary to the FRL)