

FRIENDS OF THE DOYLESTOWN LIBRARY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
September 17, 2019

Officers

Steve Schreiner, President
Liz McCarthy, Vice President
Lin Schreiner, Treasurer
Lodina Slawecki, Secretary

Directors

Judy Bergbauer*
Steve Dylinski*
Bonnie Olliver

Library Branch Manager

Nicole Lynch*

* Absent

Members

Ann Bulger, Ellen Caccavale, Lorrie Richardson

The meeting was called to order by Steve S. at 7:01 p.m.

Minutes

Liz motioned to approve the May minutes; seconded by Lin; all ayes, no opposed; motion carried.

Treasurer's Report - Lin

The income from pop-up sales and membership dues is \$275.75 and \$31 respectively. Earlier, the amount of \$10,000 was given to the library for Summer Quest. Closing account balances: savings - \$12,194.03, checking - \$9,598.85. Bonnie motioned to approve the treasurer's report; seconded by Lorrie; all ayes, no opposed; motion carried.

Report on Summer Quest – Michelle Wexler, Development Director

The event was very successful! In the Doylestown library, there were 220 programs attended by 9,610 people and 1,903 readers logged 173,340 minutes. The branch also donated a goat and honeybees to Heifer International. Michelle imparted the library's gratitude for the Friends' support of the program. The Friends' received exposure during this event via mentions on printed handouts and on the library truck's graphic. Michelle reviewed the Doylestown branch's footprint in the Bucks County library system and the burgeoning circulation of e-resources. Funding opportunities for 2020 were also outlined in the areas of the annual fund, Summer Quest 2020, backyard maintenance, and potentially, an outreach vehicle.

Branch Manager Update – Margarita Hossaini-zadeh on behalf of Nicole Lynch
Nicole is temporarily working in the Bensalem branch. The library obtained the Wonder Woman Movie License and it will show on September 26 in the grassy area beside the library; there will be a food truck and superhero-themed activities. Library closures due to roof construction are the weeks of October 28 and November 4 during the day but open at night from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. Spooky Stories will happen October 24 and October 28. Reading to the Dogs will continue. Margarita started a popular bilingual story time for children, and volunteers are needed for it.

The total amount from daily hallway book sales, January 1, 2019, through August 31, 2019, is \$2,833.

Membership - Lodina

Lodina is researching resources like the American Library Association for tips and ideas on building and sustaining membership.

Book Sale/Pop-Up - Liz

The book sale will be March 21 through March 28; setup is March 16 through March 20; and books will be moved out of the shed on March 13. Book sorting is ongoing and pop-up book sales will continue through December. Lorrie and Bonnie are coordinating the pop-up book sales and the dates will be shared with Marguerite. Michael Cantor, proprietor of The Cook and his Books, is interested in buying cookbooks.

Old Business - Steve S.

Steve met with a lawyer about the articles of incorporation: the lawyer will provide his services pro bono but there is a filing fee of \$75 and compulsory advertising costs of \$300. It should be a matter of two weeks to finalize once filed.

The Friends' provide breakfast for the library staff in December to show appreciation for their support of various Friends' activities that impact the staff throughout the year. The date will be determined in the next board meeting.

Lin motioned to end the meeting; seconded by Liz. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Next meeting

Wednesday, November 6, 7:00 p.m. in the Pearl S. Buck room