

Friends of the Greene County Library, Inc.
Minutes of May 17, 2016
Board of Directors Meeting

The meeting convened at 6:30 pm in the Library Meeting Room. In attendance were Kathy Ladika, Betsy Martin, Lisa Thomas, Nancy Ford, Ellen Thurnau, and the Branch Librarian Ginny Reese. Mary Jo Sopelak was unable to attend due to job commitments.

Treasurer's Report. The balance of the Friends treasury is \$4,896.30. Deposits since the March 15 meeting total \$905.00 (\$200.00 was from Kathy's bake sale). Expenditures total \$570.97 and were in support of Festival of the Book (55.44 for refreshments and \$75.00 for the PVCC community room); Rapunzels (\$128.57); Egg Hunt (\$57.66); and the Summer Reading Kick-Off Inflatables (\$254.30).

Membership Report. As to the policy on Friends who do not renew their membership, it was decided to keep them on record for no longer than three months after sending one reminder post card. The post cards will be sent out on the 10th of the month in which memberships are due. There are currently about 120 dues-paying Friends.

Summer Reading Kick-Off. Details were worked out on various events and volunteer assignments for the June 6 program. Ginny mentioned that the band, An Lar, has agreed to provide music that evening, and a fee of \$200 was agreed on by the Board. (The budget for this event is \$600.)

Books for the Youth Development Council. Ginny and Lisa will work together to purchase the books for the summer camp kids. \$300 has been budgeted again this year.

Upcoming Programs. Ginny mentioned some of the programs scheduled during the summer – the Sharks boys club starts up in June; Mr. Lemoncello's Library and book-related snacks in July; and an author visit in August (with an honorarium of \$200 approved by the Board in an April 1 email). Details about these programs will be in the July/August *Newsletter*.

Little Free Libraries. One of the Friends is interested in setting up a LFL at the entrance to his subdivision and was appreciative of Nancy's assistance in providing start-up information. Ellen will follow up on having a LFL near the Food Pantry on Ford Avenue, possibly in the Methodist Church park area.

PLA Conference. Ginny attended the bi-annual Public Library Association (PLA) conference in Denver last month and talked about the wonderful speakers and topics she had the opportunity to listen to - Verna' Myers, Sherry Turkle, and Arianna Huffington. She discussed Project Outcome which is a PLA initiative to help libraries better measure the services they offer patrons and how they affect peoples' lives.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm. The next scheduled meeting is July 19 and is open to the public. Minutes submitted by K. Ladika.