

*Friends of the Greene County Library, Inc.*  
*Minutes of July 19, 2016*  
*Board of Directors Meeting*

The meeting convened at 6:30 pm. In attendance were Kathy Ladika, Lisa Thomas, Betsy Martin, Mary Jo Sopelak, Nancy Ford, Ellen Thurnau, Erin Breeden, guest June Battaile, and the Branch Librarian, Ginny Reese.

**Treasurer's Report.** There is a balance of \$3,867.41 in the Friends' checking account. Deposits since the May 17 meeting total \$101.00. Expenditures total \$1,129.89 and were in support of the Summer Reading Program Kickoff (\$393.88), the "Be Happy" Swami event on June 5 (\$23.61), books for the Youth Development Council (\$310.21), Sharks – Boys Book Club (\$86.86), library landscaping (\$200.00), and Mr. Lemoncello's Library Olympics (\$115.33). Expenditure of \$120 in support of the Mr. Lemoncello's Library Olympics had been approved by the Board via an email at the end of March.

**Membership Report.** Members have expressed appreciation for the membership reminder post cards.

**Publicity Report.** The July/August Newsletter was distributed on June 28. Adding a link to the Newsletter from the Library web site will be pursued. (The link was subsequently included.)

**Summer Reading Kick-off.** Approximately 300 people attended the summer reading kick-off and enjoyed the inflatable, popcorn, ice cream, music, entertainment, and were introduced to the library and the summer "Read to Win" program.

**Community Support.** The group discussed possible options to support the local community and encourage reading and library use. Expansion of The Little Free Library program to additional locations and potential support of a local scholarship were considered.

**Upcoming Programs and Events.** Wenonah Hauter, environmental author, activist, and Executive Director of Food & Water Watch is scheduled to present a program about her new book **Frackopoly** on Aug. 6. NaNoWriMo, which is short for National Novel Writing Month, will take place Monday evenings in Nov. – the Board approved \$100 for refreshments. The Board also approved \$70 to support children's programs: Books at Bedtime Snack in October (\$20), Magic Show Workshop refreshments (\$30), and the Jungle Book film (\$20). A Fall program on **Seeing Red** by Kathryn Erskine will be discussed at the next Board meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 27-SEP-2016 at 6:30 pm. All board meetings are open to the public and community participation is welcomed.

Submitted by Mary Jo Sopelak, Friends of the Greene County Library, Inc.