

Friends of the Greene County Library, Inc.

Minutes of May 15, 2018 Board of Directors Meeting

The meeting convened at 6:30 pm in the Library meeting room. In attendance were Kathy Ladika, Nancy Ford, Ellen Thurnau, Betsy Martin, Erin Breeden, Branch Manager Ginny Reese, and guest Susan Bramley. Mary Jo Sopelak and Jo McKeown were absent.

Treasurer's Report. The balance of the treasury is \$7,029.53. Deposits since the March meeting total \$810.00; expenditures total \$1,688.02. The payments were \$960.00 to Swift Run Lawn for spring landscape maintenance; \$100.00 to the Greene County Historical Society for a walkway brick; \$125.00 for the Friday film rights; \$127.80 for summer reading prizes; \$286.43 for the kickoff inflatable; \$59.34 for summer reading toys; \$11.04 for Rapunzels; \$18.41 for film refreshments.

Branch Manager's Update. Ginny briefed the board on a number of topics: * the fact that it is so difficult getting volunteers to help occasionally with landscape and entrance cleanup; * the coordination of program funding using the library's discretionary fund versus the Friends funding; * the summer reading program events; * and the new adult "*How-To Tuesday*" programs scheduled in June and July. (Kathy will send a notice out to the Friends membership highlighting the "How-To" programs.)

Books for the Youth Development Camp Kids. Discussion centered on continuing the corporation's part in providing books for the summer camps held by the Youth Development Council. In the past, Ginny has undertaken the task of ordering books and coordinating this effort; however, because of her workload, we offered Board assistance on this program. Ellen Thurnau volunteered to work with Mike Alley to determine the number of books needed, purchase them, and coordinate the project for the Board. (\$400.00 is budgeted in 2018 for books.)

Administrative Board Matter. The Board discussed the topic of Director term limits as outlined in the bylaws, attendance/absences at meetings, and the fact that there are two people currently interested in serving on the Board when there is a vacancy.

Landscape Maintenance. Erin offered to contact Matt Dunn of Swift Run Lawn to discuss the rest of this year's planned maintenance jobs and request a written estimate prior to the work being done. This involves weeding/spraying the beds and general clean-up.

Because the County expects that landscape work other than mowing at the library should be done with volunteers as per the agreement when the library was built, and that it is nearly impossible to attract volunteers to help out, it was generally agreed by the Board that expenditures for annual maintenance will come out of the Friends' budget. If we find that the Treasury balance needs a boost in revenue, we can request our devoted Friends' members to assist during a special fundraiser for this purpose.

FOR THE RECORD: The IRS confirmed the corporation's tax-exempt status earlier this year. This item was inadvertently omitted from the March 20, 2018 minutes.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm. The next scheduled Board meeting is July 17, 2018, at 6:30 pm. Minutes respectfully submitted by K. Ladika.