

Friends of the Greene County Library, Inc.

Minutes of September 19, 2018 Board of Directors Meeting

The meeting convened at 6:30 in the Library meeting room. In attendance were Kathy Ladika, Erin Breedin, Susan Bramley, June Battaile, Jo McKeown, and Branch Manager Ginny Reese. Ellen Thurnau was absent. Betsy Martin had tendered her resignation from the Board earlier in the day.

Treasurer's Report. The balance of the treasury is \$8,050.87. Deposits since the July meeting total \$1,170; expenditures total \$450. The payments were \$425 to Swift Run Lawn for landscape maintenance and \$25 to the State Corporation Commission. Kathy requested that we consider alternative landscape plans and funding to discuss at the November budget meeting. This year we budgeted \$900 and thus far have paid out \$1,485 in contractor fees.

Membership Status. There are currently 128 Friends members.

Branch Manager's Update and Requests for Funding. Ginny requested \$60 for a hot pot and \$23 for a popcorn popper, both of which will be used at various events. The request was approved. She also discussed the adult book club and the need for more copies of some of the books that the group selects. The Board approved \$300 for her to buy books for the club when necessary.

Women's Club of Greene Christmas Books for Children. We discussed a donation to the Women's Club to support their efforts to help families in Greene County. Kathy will get more details about the Christmas Books project to present at our November meeting. We discussed a \$300 donation and will finalize the amount next meeting.

Scholarship Program. Jo initiated the discussion of the Friends funding a scholarship for one or two graduating seniors. She will contact the high school counselor to discuss details of how to do this. Susan volunteered to help with this project.

November is Friends Awareness Month. Kathy encouraged us to start the campaign early by describing our mission to attendees of upcoming events and having membership forms readily available. Ginny suggested using the digital signage in the library. Kathy suggested an article in *The Record* and will draft one to submit. Susan described an eye-catching trifold pamphlet that would provide both information and a membership form and volunteered to work on developing one. (It was not mentioned at the meeting, however, membership forms and the latest Newsletter will be available at the Virginia Clay Festival in Stanardsville on Sept. 22-23.)

Miscellaneous. The outdoor teak benches need some attention, both cleaning and oiling. Bricks in the Reading Garden need pressure washing.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm. The next scheduled Board meeting is November 20, 2018, at 6:30 pm. Minutes respectfully submitted by J. McKeown.