

Friends of the Greene County Library, Inc.

Minutes of July 16, 2019, Called Meeting of the Board of Directors

The meeting convened at 6:30 pm in the Library conference room. In attendance were June Battaile, Erin Breeden, Ellen Thurnau, Judith Delaney, Haley Yost, and Branch Manager, Ginny Reese.

Minutes from last meeting

The Board approved minutes from last meeting by email prior to meeting. June summarized the minutes from last meeting to refresh everyone's memory.

Treasurer's Report

The balance of the treasury is \$8926.37. Deposits for June and thus far in July total \$1321.45. Expenditures total \$440.51. These cover supplies for Bibliophiles and Kickoff event (\$80.83); weed, tree removal, and debris removal (\$350.00); and coffee for the Film Series (\$9.68).

Membership Report

There has been 1 new member that has joined the Friends of the Greene County Library since the last meeting. There have been 4 membership renewals since the last meeting. The current total members of the Friends of the Greene County Library is 89 members.

Library News from Branch Manager, Ginny Reese

Ginny presented the new digital magazine and digital comics list. She also presented Kanopy, a visual streaming website the library patrons have access to. She showed how to navigate the website and shared that it includes public performance rights so the library can stream movies for the Film Series. There is one upcoming Film Series movies that will be streamed from Kanopy.

So far, the summer reading program is going well and has had great turn out for programs. The staff is already planning programs for the fall. Ginny gave an overview of various programs that are currently being offered as well as programs that will be offered this fall.

Old business

Erin and Haley provided feedback on their new positions. Erin shared her concern with members missing renewing their memberships because renewals will now be sent by email. The board agreed that emails can easily end up in junk folders so following up

with members up for renewal would be appropriate. Haley shared no concerns with her new position.

The Summer Kick-off was a huge success! Ginny was very pleased with the turn out and was grateful for the many helpers. June suggested using pop up tents next year to help spread activities out while still providing shade. Ellen suggested moving an activity into the reading garden to bring attention to reading garden.

The signers for the bank account were finalized as Erin Breeden and June Battaile.

New Business

Licensed and Bonded: June raised the question about hiring individuals to complete work at the library that may not be personally licensed or bonded. The board members did not offer an answer so June plans to do further research.

Drainpipe: June brought attention to a drainpipe that is missing from the exterior of the library building and is causing mud splatter as well as mold on the brick. Ginny said she has filed a request with the county's maintenance department but is still waiting for a response/action.

Funding Requests: Ginny requested funding for a \$70 shortfall for belly dancing instructor fees for a fall program. June Battaile moved to provide funding. Judith seconded; the motion passed unanimously. Ginny requested funding for a \$20 shortfall for yoga class instructor fees. June Battaile moved to provide funding. Ellen Thurnau second; the motion passed unanimously.

Communication with the Friends: There is no longer a newsletter being sent to the Friends. Friends have raised concern that they have been dropped from the newsletter and interested new members do not have a person to be in contact with for more information. It was agreed to have a point person for contact for the group. The email for Friends of the Greene County Library will be added to the pamphlet that is provided at the literature table (central aisle, on the right, just before patrons reach the circulation desk). June has offered to send out an email with upcoming events and board meeting reminders. Ginny suggested sending out the upcoming board meeting agenda and posting it on the bulletin board in the library.

The Board of Directors still has one open board member position.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm. The next regular meeting is scheduled for September 17, 2019. Minutes respectfully submitted by Haley Yost.