

FRIENDS OF BETHLEHEM PUBLIC LIBRARY

Minutes of meeting held July 11, 2024

Board Members present: Hilary Veilleux, Norma St. John, Kay Kerr, Allegra Wright, Sally Fitzgerald, Mark Considine, Connie Johnson, Estelle LaFleur

Friends Members present:

Guests present:

Librarian present: Laura Clerkin

Meeting called to order 5:34pm

June 6, 2024 FOBPL minutes: Norma motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by Allegra. All in favor.

Treasurer's report: The CD current balance is \$9,251.68, the second CD balance is \$4,143.12, and the checking account current balance is \$4,327.45, for a total of \$17,722.25.

Allegra motioned to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Connie. All in favor.

Old Business

Fundraiser suggestions update – Last meeting was an information gathering session. Allegra motioned to place an order for 150 ornaments at \$10.00 each using the Eclipse Dino artwork from the Eclipse T-shirts and the year 2024 and Friends of the Bethlehem Public Library on the ornament. Hilary seconded the motion. All in favor. Allegra and Laura will connect with Sue about the logistics. Estelle will be included in the communications.

Bethlehem Summer Fest – August 10th – Laura has offered her husband's truck for the parade and the Velocireader will be attached in some fashion to it. Adults riding in the bed of the truck can sit on children's chairs. The Friends will hand out bookmarks and gummy dinosaurs to the attendees. Estelle will order 200 packs of gummies and print at least 200 bookmarks. Kay, Norma, Allegra, Sally, Hilary, and Connie will meet on Wednesday, July 31st at 9:30AM to cut the bookmarks and staple the gummy bags to the bookmarks. Norma will look for the banner.

Gazebo Concerts – Purchases for the Snack Shack totaled \$788.82. Sales to date are \$724.85. The weather for the past two weeks has been great for the concerts. Norma needs help at the Shack. The Odd Fellows have been a great help manning the grille. She needs someone on August 25th for ice cream. That show usually has a large turnout.

New Business

Eclipse T-shirt sale price – There are approximately 30 children's T-shirts left. All costs have been covered for the shirts. The shirts will be sold at the Snack Shack at \$10.00 for one shirt and \$15.00 for two shirts.

PayPal app – additional users – The PayPal app is working. Hilary will handle adding it to other phones for Board members to be able to use it.

Gazebo – Laura asked if the Friends would be interested in working on a permanent structure, possibly a gazebo, for the summer programs. It will need to be ADA accessible. The Friends are interested and will work on getting more information.

Allegra made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Sally. The meeting adjourned at 6:52pm.

Next meeting: Thursday, August 1, 2024 at 5:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Estelle LaFleur