

FRIENDS OF BETHLEHEM PUBLIC LIBRARY

Minutes of meeting held April 2, 2026

Board Members present: Sally Fitzgerald, Hilary Veilleux, Dottie Champagne, Candy Murphy, Sue Presby, Allegra Wright

Librarian present: Laura Clerkin

Meeting called to order 5:30pm

Dottie says the secretary position is not going to work out.

March 5, 2026 FOBPL minutes: Hilary motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by Candy.

Treasurer's report: Allegra for Norma: The CD current balance is \$9,957.02 the second CD balance is \$4,436.67, and the checking account current balance is \$16,276.56, for a total of \$30,670.25. Donations \$1,000.00 Palace Head Foundation – Palm Beach, FL and \$250.00 Renaissance Charitable Foundation. Norma will need to create report for next month with updated account balances and transactions – not itemized March 5th-14th. Hilary motions to accept as is. Sally seconds.

Old Business

Bake Sale, March 10, 2026 – Bake sale earned \$735.25.

Traveling Velocireader – Hilary took one on vacation and returned to library today. The second grade checked one out today to spend some time in their classroom. He's on the counter in library with advertisement (laminated). Thoughts on getting word out about Velocireader.

First brainstorming – Thursday, April 9th at 5:30PM – fundraiser at Rocks

Second brainstorming – sometime in May, 14th possibly at 5:30pm to discuss everything else...membership, increasing visibility, etc. Allegra spoke with Nicole McGrath and Michelle King – possibly will come.

September Speakers Program – Fundraiser – Estelle sent email to Candy regarding helping with anything needed for advertising and ticket sales for fundraiser. The Friends board is very thankful for everything that Estelle does.

Hilary suggests coming up with \$ amount for activity card for families to check out. Hilary motions to put aside \$1,000.00 to give to library. Sally seconded.

Laura got the household membership certificate from Fairbanks Museum. Maybe give it as a prize at the September fundraiser.

Pavillion update – Laura hasn't heard anything more.

New Business:

Co-op Partner of the Month – Allegra doesn't know anymore. Table until next month's meeting.

Bethlehem on Main – June 6th, 10:00AM to 4:00PM – take Velocireader for it. Tell Juliet yes, about having a table in front of bookstore. We will discuss more about t at next meeting.

Laura has delivery notification. Will give to Norma to pick up.

Motion to adjourn by Sally and Candy seconds. The meeting adjourned at 6:42pm.

Next meeting May 7th at 5:30PM.