

**FRIENDS OF THE BEEKMAN LIBRARY  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD APRIL 5, 2022**

**OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, & MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Lynn Adams, Annmarie Ajello, Jerry Balcom, Matt Barbour, Irene Drugan, Xenia Ebel, Rebecca Florance, Mickey Fraher, Marvelle Hondorp, Larry Korducki, Joan Korducki, Anne Marie Larkin, Kris Macdonald, Barbara Rendich, Linda Sprance, Merle VonWertberg and Arlene Vaquer

**STAFF PRESENT:** Carol Fortier, Director

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Arlene called the meeting to order at 12:07 pm. Lynn Adams moved to accept the March minutes, this was seconded by Larry. Motion passed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Rebecca reported as follows:

It was reported that we have \$6,607.24 in checking, \$8.17 in Savings and \$312.34 cash on hand.

We made \$1,407.11 at the March book sale.

Sales Tax was paid in March.

Raffles: \$115 for Italian Basket, \$180.00 for Pokeman Raffle

Received \$167 from Discovery Books for our first pick up.

Received a check from a non-profit in the amount of \$197.60. Donor was unknown.

Mickey moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, Xenia seconded this motion. Motion passed.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

**Financial:**

The Financial Committee will be presenting the 2023 budget to the board in April. The board will be voting and 414 committees will be formed. I am hoping to have a more organized phone campaign this year. Please let me know if you would be willing to make phone calls to voters.

**Grants:**

Meghan Brennan from Butler, Rowland and Mays is helping me select new furniture for the community room. This furniture will be used in the renovated library but we have funds from Dutchess County now so we will be making the purchases this year.

**Programs:**

Pauline and Anne Marie have Summer Reading Programs scheduled. Attendance at programs has been good. We have seen a great response to our Earth Day programs. We will be starting a Repair Café in May. This is an international program where local residents get together to help each other repair items. The most popular items are small appliances, lamps and jewelry.

**Staff:**

Karen and Pam are working on the transition and our new bookkeeper Sean Reagan has started.

**LIBRARY BOARD MEETING REPORT:**

In lieu of the regular monthly BOT meeting, Arlene reported on the BOT Annual meeting. The Friends gave the library a check in the amount \$31,114.00 which included the Annual Appeal.

Arlene thanked everyone for coming to the meeting, there was a good turnout.

At this time, Arlene made sure that everyone has met everyone. We have many new working members.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**BOOK SALE:**

We had 111 customers. The first book sale for the year was a success.

Arlene asked for volunteers for the April 23<sup>rd</sup> book sale.

Arlene announced that we made \$568 from dealers.

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:**

Arlene will have a membership table outside for the April 23<sup>rd</sup> sale.

**SOCIAL MEDIA COMMITTEE**

Arlene announced that we have started creating ads on CANVA and the digital frame on the circulation desk. We will be announcing the book sales and the craft fair. She explained that PATCH reached the mid-Hudson. We will continue advertising on Facebook as usual.

**FUNDRAISING:**

**Raffles:**

Kris announced that the Pokemon Raffle and the Italian Basket Raffle did really well. The next raffle will be both our "Mother's Day" basket and a lovely basket given to us by Hand and Stone Massage and Facial. There will be two separate raffles with different colored tickets.

**Craft/Vendor Fair:**

Kris reported that the upcoming May Day Craft/Vendor sale is going well. Arlene announced that Kris needs volunteers for this event.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Lynn Adams announced that Caryn & Jim Presti had a baby girl, Gisella Rose. Rebecca pointed out to the group that Sue Ray said wonderful things about the Friends in the recent Library newsletter.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, May 3 at 12:00 noon downstairs in the Library.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12.53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Macdonald

Secretary