

Friends of the Brooks Memorial Library Board Meeting
Date: 4/17/24

In attendance: S. Latronica, K. Duggan, S. Dyer, C. Cline, D. Leary, C. Kimball, A. Whiting,
D. Doiron, J. Stockman, S. Meyers
Guest: Margaret Atkinson (Trustee)

Call to order: @ 4:31

1. Minutes of last meeting : reviewed and accepted.

2. Treasurer's Report: Dayle (see separate report for details)

Opening Balance February 1 : \$ 83, 685.50

Closing Balance February 29 : \$ 84, 659.06

Of note: we received a VT Humanities grant of \$1500 which can be used for early childhood literacy.

The Annual Treasurer's Report: Dayle will roll up all the monthly reports into an annual report.

We are earning \$220-\$275 monthly in our Fidelity account.

A 990 N form was filed with the IRS (a yearly obligation).

2024/25 Budget Plan: Starr, Karen, and Dayle met to develop a proposed budget after reviewing the previous year's budget and spending.

3. Presidents' Report: Karen and Sue

Thanks to :

Dayle for work on the budget.

Assistance on the Eclipse day.

Matt for reviving and updating the Friends' website.

Reminder: next's month meeting is also the Annual Meeting.

4. Library cards sleeves -Connie C.

Minuteman Press were unable to format the card sleeves. Amanda did a mock up which Connie will bring to them.

5. Dessert evening update- 5/17/24 6:30-8:00

Seed packets: Sue is still working on getting them. Kevin may have a source. Maya (new library clerk) has applied for seed packets.

Tarot Card reader: Patty Newton (\$100 was approved to pay her)

Sharon will provide the beverages. Karen will take care of the plates.

6. Library report/requests : Starr

The staff is researching their needs for display furniture.

A new programmer/outreach position was approved as of July 1, 2024 . The job description is being developed

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There will be two social worker positions.

The VT Humanities Council is restructuring their programs.

The new museum passes are going well. The Montshire pass has been checked out several times.

No monetary requests at this time.

7. Other Business : Connie C

Suggested we look at our reserve and think of ways to spend it. Can we run pilot prgrams that the town could take on in the future ? Starr pointed out that any program could not entail additional duties for staff.

Dates of Note:

May 15: Annual meeting

May 17: "Brooks in Bloom"

June 30: Summer Garden Party (a change from the July date)

Meeting adjourned at 5:21

Submitted by Diane Leary, Secretary

