

Friends of the Town of Ballston Community Library Meeting Minutes
Date: April 4, 2023

Meeting called to order at: 9:00am by President Melia Gordon

Members Present: Stefanie Leshner, Deb Fiedler, Melia Gordon, Jenn Richard, Alyssa , Tim Newell,

Meeting Minutes:

Add Wes's last name to minutes, Bartlett.

Motion to accept minutes: Tim Second: Jenn

Treasurer's Report:

Starting total: \$12,988.21

Deposits

Thrift Books \$279.79

Spartan Catering \$2,319.50

Spartan Catering Venmo \$648.78

\$16,236.28

Expenses

TOB Community Library Books refreshments -\$236.17

Spartan Catering -\$1,938.00

TOB Community Library reimbursement -\$143.17

Savings \$3,796.83

Interest

TOTAL \$17,715.77

Motion to accept treasurers report by:Stefanie seconded by:Jenn

Old Business

Spartan dinner – did not do as well as last time, but they are doing them every 2 weeks now and you can't advertise them until the previous is done.

Small town, Big read – going well. They will have the second author zoom soon and people are excited about next year already!!! When Jenn was talking to the Charlton seniors, they said they if we give them a heads up about the next one, they can choose that book also.

Book sale update – they will start to take book donations soon.

Raffle – bags are setup. There are 12 baskets. Ruta only used \$65. She already sent the thank you cards.

Summer reading – kick off is scheduled, 6/26 at 4:00 at Elmer Smith in Charlton. For summer reading, Everything is booked. 2-4 events happening every day. She would like to buy some prizes, but will come to the next meeting with prizes.

New Business

Children's room furniture – a theme. Trees and forests. 3 wobble stools, Easel, 6 soft and safe log stools, and other things. Motion made by Stef to give up to \$4000 to Alyssa to purchase furniture, etc for the Childrens room. Second by Deb Fiedler.

Book Page – we are paying too much for book page. Mary Carrier is an intern, she is at SUNY Albany finishing her MLs. She works at MVLS and one of the people, Sharon O'Brien coordinates the ordering of book page for MVLS. She says if we want to add our book page order onto their order, we can get a discount. Book page is giving us a refund of \$120 for the book page.

Mary Carrier also brought us ear buds. Jenn will still need to buy some, but has not purchased them yet.

Founders day – 6/4 - Charlton, the library usually participates.
Charlton Party in the park 6/3 - the library will have a tent at this event.

Burn Hills flag day parade is on 6/8. The friends will participate. Motion was made to join the BPA for \$350 by stef, second by Jenn. Tim will send in a check to join the BPA so we get a good spot in the parade,

Adult Summer reading – Community aspect – Community is Unity

Next meeting on May 2.

Motion made to adjourn at: 9:43am by: Stef, seconded by: Jenn

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Stefanie Leshner