

Minutes- Friends of the O'Fallon Library

January 9, 2018

The January 9, 2018 meeting of the Friends of the O'Fallon Library was called to order at 5:15 p.m. by president Ann Sullivan. Twelve members were present.

Minutes from last meeting were approved. There was discussion over the number of books actually sold on Amazon annually. The correct numbers are discussed below.

Harriet Baker presented the Treasurer's report. The report is attached.

Ryan Johnson provided information on how the Friends donations are going to be used. Two possible uses are area rugs for the children's story time area and partnering with the high school on a distinguished speaker series.

Harriet Baker contacted Savers about donating books that do not sell at our book sales. Preliminary word is that Savers accepts clothing and books, but not just books. While it is possible for members/library staff to collect clothing items to include with books, Harriet is waiting for a call back to clarify this issue.

Suzanne Rupright discussed college textbook donations. There are so many restrictions on Amazon and Better World Books that our only option for older textbooks may be recycling or finding a dealer that buys books by the pound. She also said comics are now being listed on e-bay.

Greg Zelinske performed an inventory of books listed for sale on Amazon. After many manhours he determined there were 656 books for sale. Some were pulled because the prices were no longer viable and the prices on 150 book were reduced. In the future he will try to do an inventory twice a year.

Greg also said 469 books were sold in 2017. (312 books were sold between July 1st & the end of the year with 252 of those sold since Sept 1st.) Looking ahead, if these sales can be sustained on-line book sales could possible make \$10K per year.

David Todd will be the researcher for older books.

ATTENDEES

Kathleen Mongiovi

Ray Farmer

Eloise Cohoon

Diane Zelinske

Greg Zelinske

Suzanne Rupright

Ryan Johnson

Ann Sullivan

Ann Morey

Narmi Cahill

Harriet Baker

Bob White

FRIENDS OF THE OFALLON LIBRARY
 F/Y/E 2017

BALANCE FORWARD FROM 12/30/2016		604.50
INCOME:		
voided check		
AMAZON	5030.94	
BOOK SALES		
FALL	3450.24	
SPRING	4829.45	
BLOW OUT	2930.2	
FLASH SALE - KOREAN	84.94	
DUES AND IN HOUSE	1171.71	17497.48
DISBURSEMENTS:		
POSTAGE	-48.44	
STATE OF IL - 990	-10	
SEED MONEY	-1060	
O'FALLON PUBLIC LIBRARY	-16000	
PAY/PAL	-0.13	-17118.57
		983.41
	VOIDED CK	-10.0
Balance per bank as of 12/31/2017		<u>-973.41</u>