Minutes- Friends of the O’Fallon Library

April 23, 2019

The April 23, 2019 meeting of the Friends of the O’Fallon Library was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by president Ann Sullivan. Eleven members were present. Minutes of November 13, 2018 meeting were provided to all members and were approved.

Treasurer Harriett Baker was unable to attend, but Ann Sullivan reported a balance of $1877.02 in the Friends Account. She also reported Illinois Form 990 has been completed for 2018.

No library representative was available for the meeting. A note was received from the library staff thanking the Friends for our recent donation.

Suzanne Rupright introduced a new attendee, Mary Hope.

Ann Morey discussed arrangements for the May Book Sale. Set up will start at 11:00 AM on May 8th. The actual sale will start at 9:00 AM on the 9th and continue through Sunday, May 12th. Non-profit agencies will be invited to pick up books on the 13th. Disposal of unsold books has yet to be determined. (Greg Zelinske will check into recycling in St Louis.) Hours for the sale will match those of the library. Volunteers are needed to help with all phases of the sale.

Due to the large number of books available the areas for selling books have been expanded. In addition to the usual areas the Book Nook and, if weather is good, the patio will be used. There will be a map showing the sales areas on the white board at the library entrance.

Prices for books will remain the same in most cases, 50 cents for normal-sized paperbacks and $1.00 for trade/hardcovers. Children’s books will be $3.00 a bag for the first 2 days. Some books and media materials will be specially priced. Bag sales may also be offered. Pricing will be flexible.
Various advertising formats have been covered: Book Sale Finder, marquis at bank/town hall, Facebook, library website, newspapers. Ann Sullivan will put signs out along the street.

Greg Zelinske provided copies of a business card that is included in each book sold on Amazon. He also provided detailed information on sales through Amazon and Book Nook for the last year and the year to date. The information is attached.

There was considerable discussion on the need for an election of officers and a review/revision of the Friends of the O'Fallon Library Constitution and By-Laws. Ann Morey offered to send a copy of the current constitution and by-laws to interested parties. It was decided a special meeting will be held on June 11, 2019 to elect new officers.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen A. Mongiovi

Secretary

Attachments
Attendees List
Amazon/Book Nook Sales Info