

Minutes from December 15 Friends of the Library Meeting

Present: Sarah James, Barbara Young, Susan Scales, Susan Drinker, Kathy Boudreau, Carla Tischler, Lisa Lortie

Welcome, Lisa, to your first Friends meeting!

1. Treasurer's Report: from Susan Scales

On 11/1/2021, the bank account opening balance was \$945.18.

Receipts: 11/22/21 \$13.83 Amazon Smile Foundation

Expenses: none

The bank acct closing balance on 11/30/21 was \$959.01.

Income received after close of the month: 12/6 \$50 (Donation received from Louise Hirschberg)

Special thanks to everyone who designates our group as a charity recipient when shopping on Amazon through the Amazon Smile program !

2. Publicity: Carla volunteered to ask the library to list our meeting on their weekly email and to network with the library to be sure we have a room reserved for our meetings. Sarah will add Beth Kendell of the library staff to our email list so that she receives our monthly minutes and can post them on the library website. Beth will also post photos, so we should be sure to take some and send them to her whenever we do activities.

3. Project ideas: We discussed a variety of possible projects and chose a few to prioritize based on a variety of factors. These included how they matched our mission of supporting the library, what we felt we had the volunteer power to accomplish and what we found to be fun and interesting.

Kathy will work on organizing a drop in cribbage session, hopefully starting in January. She'll discuss a possible date with the library staff and send us out the details. Carla and others will then work on publicity.

Barbara will investigate hosting a Scholastic Book Fair. She has already discussed this with Hope, who thinks it would be manageable.

Other ideas we considered:

- sponsoring a Halloween costume exchange next fall, which is a successful program at the Brentwood library
- sponsoring a tree at next year's Festival of Trees
- staffing a table at Kids Day at the Exeter Farmers' Market

Next meeting is on a DIFFERENT DAY due to scheduling, so THURSDAY January 13th, 6:30 pm in the library. Hope to see you there!