Friends Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, June 20, 2024

1. **Call to Order** by President Martha Nork at 7:00 pm.

2. **Attendance**
   Present: Racha Alchommali, Kathy Fox, Cindy Frango, Claire Kreher, Chris Litka, Kimberly Meisel, Regina Mingela, Martha Nork, Linda Schwelnus
   Absent: Linda Bastien, Charlene Cach, Denise Stacer

3. **Approval of Agenda** - Motion to approve the agenda was made by Chris Litka and seconded by Linda Schwelnus. Motion passed.

4. **Introduction of Scholarship Winners** - The three Friends of NDL 2024 Scholarship Winners are Kyle Brown, Elizabeth Risch, and Nila Muthusamy. Kyle and Elizabeth attended our meeting and shared their choices of colleges and areas of study.

5. **Review and approval of Meeting Minutes** from May 14, 2024 - Motion to approve the minutes was made by Regina Mingela and seconded by Claire Kreher. Motion passed.

6. **Secretary's Report** - No report.

7. **President's Report** - Martha Nork
   - Martha appointed two members-at-large; Racha Alchommali and Kimberly Meisel. The board unanimously approved the appointments.
   - In September, we are promoting a repeat of the children's Bookmark Contest. Kimberly volunteered to get the promotional materials to every Northville Elementary school.
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8. **Library Director's Report** - Martha Nork for Laura Mancini

   - Carla Eggert, the NDL's Business Operations Specialist, will be retiring on July 26th. Carla has been with the NDL since 2012 and will be greatly missed.
   - Summer Reading 2024 has begun and this year's theme is *Adventure Begins at Your Library.* Individuals of all ages can register for the program using the Beanstack app which can be downloaded from the app store or accessed on the Library's website. Paper reading logs are also available at the Information Desk. The program kicked off with a bang as 374 people registered for the program during its first week.
   - The Youth Department will be hosting Touch a Truck on Saturday, June 22nd at Northville High School from 10 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Trucks of all shapes and sizes will be on hand for young people to explore.
   - From June 17 - August 3, the NDL is hosting a school supplies drive to benefit Cooke School. A list of supplies needed by the school is available in the Youth Department.

9. **Treasurer's Report** - Linda Schwelnus

   The Treasurer presented the Financial Report for May 2024. Income included dividends on the CD that matured, Bank Interest, Donations, Membership and Used Book sales, including vendor sales, for a total of $8,136.04. Expenses included annual meeting expenses for snacks, fees for FOML meeting, newsletter, and snacks for the Staff, for a total of $274.

   A new 13-month CD was purchased with funds from the matured CD. Bank balances, including two CD's, totaled $76,234.70 at the end of May.

   A motion to approve the Financial Report for May 2024, was made by Claire Kreher and seconded by Kathy Fox. It was unanimously approved.

10. **Committee Reports**:

    A. Gift Books - Claire Kreher
       Since May 16th, we received 8 Gifts - 4 Memorials and 4 Honorary for a total of $380. (3 were from Friends of NDL for $75)
       We added 4 books this past month.

    B. Newsletter & Public Relations - Chris Litka
       - sent an email on June 19th for the Children's Book Sale
       - Chris asked for input for the newsletter. She met with Sarah Milroy to update the newsletter format. She presented samples to gather board input.

    C. Used Book Operations - Martha for Linda Bastien
       - May Book Cellar total was $1951.15.
       - Our Kids Book Sale is Sunday, June 30th from 1-4 pm in the Carlo Room.
         Charlene, and her friend Mary Kay, will provide the kids' craft for the afternoon.
       - Possible Porch Sale this summer.

    D. Membership - Cindy Frango
       Our current membership is:
       Patrons/Businesses **- 20** Family **- 28**   Individual **- 53**   Teens **- 2**
       Lifetime **- 14**   A total of **117 Members**

    E. Scholarships - No report.

    F. Volunteer Appreciation - Claire Kreher
       Volunteer of the Month from Used Book Operations was Myrtle Ferrende.
       Friends Board member of the month was Rick Nork.

11. **Closed Session for Board Members**

12. **Motion to adjourn** 8:02 pm   Motion passed.