

Friends of Onondaga Free Library
Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
October 2, 2017

PRESENT: Directors: Anne Andrianos, Mary Minafri-Girolamo, Jeanette Nels, Susan Parry; Members: Deb Carey, Kathy DeSanctis, Alyce Lee and John Thornton

The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM. The minutes from September were corrected as follows: The author chosen for the raffle for the book and ticket to the Rosamond Gifford lecture series is J.D. Vance. Mary M. made a motion to approve the corrected minutes, seconded by Jeanette N. and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Our balance is \$3177.78 not including SU football raffle sales and the book sale. A motion was made by Mary M. to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Jeanette N. and approved.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: After reading the report, we thought that two digital signs for the library would be appropriate. They could be positioned behind the check-out desk and in the children's room. We thought that we should have more pictures of library activities on social media, especially Twitter.

OLD BUSINESS:

T-Shirts: The T-shirts for the summer teen volunteers were well received. Alyce L. may be able to help us reduce the cost for next year's program.

Craft Group: Jeanette N. said that there were six people there on Thursday and many people asking about it as they came through the area. The group meets at 9:30 Thursday with coffee and tea available.

Football Raffle: Thanks to Kathy D for donating the tickets. David Cecile was our excited winner.

PayPal: Jeanette reports that all the Friends groups with whom she spoke were happy with the program. Because we are a 501.C3 program, there will be less of a fee from PayPal. It was suggested that we do not list a minimum donation. Mary G. made a motion to set up the PayPal account, seconded by Sue P. and approved.

Friends Month: Senator John DeFrancisco will issue a proclamation that will be presented to us on Monday, October 16. It will be featured at the Friends' Corner. Kathy D. and Carol Dixon will place balloons on items that have been donated to the library from the Friends' to draw attention to our group and its purpose.

There will be a meeting with the library administration to set our calendar for the next three months during the third week of October.

Festival of Trees: The trees will be available on November 1 and due back by November 19 at 5:00PM. The drawing will take place the week before Christmas, around December 17.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Jeanette N. that the minutes shall be sent to Chantal Sparks each month so that she can post them to our website. This was seconded by Sue P. and approved.

We received our second check from smile.Amazon.com. We need to get the word out to members about this easy donation to the Friends. Amazon limits publicity to electronic only. We cannot print flyers to hand out.

Fundraising ideas:

Have books for sale displayed at the Friends' Corner. These would be gift quality books. We would choose a theme and keep them on display for a few weeks at a time. Books would be paid for at the desk.

Deb C. suggested a \$500.00 gift card to Destiny with each chance costing \$2.00. This has worked for other groups that she has belonged to and is a great money maker before Christmas, in the spring and Back-to School shopping.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25PM. The next meeting will be Monday, November 6 at 7:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Parry, Secretary