

Friends Meeting 8/1/2023

Kathy Hyle opened the business meeting at 6:35 in the absence of President, Beth Plas. 15 in attendance.

June minutes were read and approved. Membership is at 105 regular members; 10 Golden members; and 8 Perks Members. Total: 123.

Treasurer was in attendance but no report was presented.

Book Sale Committee

Chairman was not in attendance. Committee reported fall book sale books are being collected.

Book sale setup dates will be Oct 27th and 28th. Sale dates will be Oct 30 – Nov 3. The committee is planning to hold another raffle for the event, using a Winter Theme.

The spring book sale raised \$2150 and raffle raised \$275.

Read Between the Wines Committee

The next RBTW meeting will be August 15th at the Library. Discussion was held regarding progress in sponsoring, donations, and vendors.

Director Report

The Director advised the Library is giving their unused bookends to the Friends for use in the book sales. It will need to be decided where they are stored.

There will be a staff day held Friday, July 25 at LCCC.

She requested a schedule for the staff for Oct 5. They will be working 9am-8pm.

Marilyn requested a meeting with staff to discuss RBTW. Adele suggested Wednesday at 8:30am.

Trustee Report

Trustees Clare Gallaher and Mindy Harris were in attendance. Clare advised the Trustees have engaged a Chicago architectural firm to assess potential sites for a future library. Projections are that the community will add an additional 1000 new homes in the next 5 years.

Sites under review were the current site, Parsons/Rt 57 old gas station, near Don Mexcal, and Capel Rd/Rt 57 near the school complex. The firm will assess the existing and future needs of the community and how the locations meet those needs and make a recommendation.

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Old Business

The Senior Bus Trip in conjunction with Lorain County Metroparks was Friday, June 9 and was a great success. We went to Schoepfle Gardens and Vermilion Reservation. We hope to do another trip during the holidays.

New Business

The Friends website has been moved to the library site. The new address is gmplibrary.org/friends. We invite comments.

Next meeting will be held September 5.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm