

FRIENDS OF BETHLEHEM PUBLIC LIBRARY

Minutes of meeting held June 1, 2023

Board Members present: Hilary Veilleux, Norma St. John, Allegra Wright, Mark Considine, Sally Fitzgerald, Estelle LaFleur

Friends Members present:

Librarian present:

Meeting called to order 5:36pm.

May 4, 2023 FOBPL minutes: Allegra motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by Kay. All in favor.

Treasurer's report: The CD current balance \$8,845.96, checking account current balance \$8,637.90, for a total of \$17,483.86.

Allegra motioned to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Hilary. All in favor.

Old Business

Design for Eclipse T-shirts – Hilary spoke with Chelsey who is working on the design. She'll send them when ready. Hilary will also start looking at costs for T-shirts.

Update on PayPal – Chelsey is working on getting a separate email for the PayPal account. We're hoping to have this ready for the concerts.

Summer Concerts – The Snack Shack cleaning will be done on June 14th at 9:00AM. The water and electricity will be turned on in preparation for stocking the shelves and freezer. Help is still needed to work at the Snack Shack – specifically on July 2, Aug 13, Aug 27 to man the grill. Estelle will send a request when the minutes go out for additional help. Prices for food items may have to increase due to increased food costs at the supplier.

Clean up Pollinator Garden and Story Walk – Over the past two weeks, several Friends cleaned up the Pollinator Garden and the Story Walk. The plaques have been installed at the Story Walk. Hilary will send pictures and the names of the volunteers to Chelsey and Laura along with a letter of thanks to be shared on social media and the Friends page of the Library website. There is still more work to be done. One of the needs for the garden is a new lightweight hose to water the garden and a sprinkler. Estelle motioned to allow Hilary to purchase a 75' lightweight hose, appropriate sprinkler, lockbox, and duplicate keys for the shed and faucet. Allegra seconded. All in favor.

Allegra shared a possible program that could be of benefit regarding the Pollinator Garden. She will reach out to members in the community to see if there is interest in working with the Friends.

Summer Reading Program – The program begins on June 27th.

New Business

Eclipse event – June 8, 2023 at 6:00PM – Doug Arion will speak at the library regarding the eclipse.

Kay motioned that the Friends donate \$100.00 to Mountains of Stars. Estelle seconded. All in favor.

Allegra made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Norma. The meeting adjourned at 6:39pm.

Next meeting: Thursday, July 13, 2023 at 5:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Estelle LaFleur