

FRIENDSHIP FREE LIBRARY  
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 9, 2023

**Attendance:** Sue Strickley, Dee Wolf, Michelle Baker

**Meeting called to order at 6:15 pm.**

**Guests: None**

**Minutes:** Motion to approve minutes for April made by Sue. 2nd by Michelle. Approved by the board unanimous vote

**Budget Report:** The Baldwin report was reviewed by the Board. We need to have Rachel move \$1271.25 to line item 12.13 where it should be. Also ask Rachel if our refund check from insurance can be deposited to the insurance line item 12.16l as a credit.

**Financial update:** Per Sue, Savings \$62,608.23, Checking \$12,489.43, Debit Card \$1,778.42 We need to check with Justin at Baldwin and make sure the 990 was filed.

**Library Report:**

We had 302 visitors to the library in April, 166 Adults and 136 Children with 22 computer users.

We have received 2 volunteer applications. Board reviewed and Dee made a motion to accept the 2 volunteers on a trial basis. 2nd by Michelle. Approved by the board with a unanimous vote.

A Mental health Awareness Month and a Memorial Day Book/DVD display were made.

The Empire State Library Network dropped off displays for a NYS immigration exhibit; they will be coming back to pick them up at the end of the month.

Sign ups for Eric Jones are currently at 6 for the 5/19 event and 8 for the 5/26 event. The ad was put in the Cuba Patriot, and on our social media and we are hoping for more sign ups.

The seed library is out and Tyira promoted it on our Facebook page.

Julia Lampson has been hired as our new director and she will be starting at the end of the month.

Nick Shembeda Plumbing came in on May 5th for maintenance on the Hot Water tank.

**New Business:**

Sue makes a motion to schedule Matthew Owens work hours from unlimited, to 3 hrs per week for cleaning and extra hours as needed for special projects. 2nd by Michelle. Approved by the board with a unanimous vote.

**Grant Updates:**

**ACWC Grant:** With this grant we have done an expanded Community Arts Program for the summer. We will have 5 events in the library, 3 music events at the school gazebo, and 1 music event at the senior apts.

**ACWC Round 2 Grant:** We are pleased to know that we have received the 2nd round grant which will allow us to offer a winter event for teens/tweens.

**Construction Grant:** We have submitted our intent to apply and are currently working on the facility plan which will need to be submitted by June 16, 2023.

Sue makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. 2nd by Dee. Approved by the board with unanimous vote.

Adjourned 7:47pm

**Old business and Some New business was also included in the Library report\*\***