

Minutes January 14, 2024 Friends of the Salem Library

If you read these minutes before our book sale please note the adjustment in dates with the sale starting on March 1.

The January 2024 meeting of The Friends of the Salem Library was called to order by President Lydia Spruhan. 13 members were present.

The secretary read the minutes of the October meeting. Kim Marchesano moved the minutes be approved as read and Ricki McKinney seconded the motion which passed.

Ken Sosnowski made the treasurer's report. The Amazon Smiles program is no longer available to us. The Friends received a donation of \$2,000.00. The printer brought in about \$5,000.00. Our CDs are now earning about 5% interest. There was also a handout with financial figures. Kim moved the report be accepted and Phil Roark seconded. The motion passed.

Ken also mentioned that January 22 is the next sorting date starting at 8:30.

OLD BUSINESS

Anne Tripp gave an update on the Dolly Parton book program. Fundraising was a success and a launch party will take place at the Library on January 27 from 11:00 to 1:00.

NEW BUSINESS

There were two funding requests from the library staff. There was a request for \$250.00 for expenses relating to the launch party and for \$300.00 for a Do It Your Shelf program for the children's programming.

Ken moved we approve \$550.00 for these requests and Kim seconded. The motion passed.

Ken reported on the upcoming sale. After a postmeeting date adjustment set up will be February 28 and the sale will run February 29, March 1 and March 2. (Members will find sale dates on the meeting notice for March.) There was a

correction of the adjusted dates. Set up will be on February 29. The sale will begin on March 1 and end with a clearance sale on March 3.

Ken also reported that we made \$84.00 from the sale of books at the Farmers Market during the Crafty Christmas event. We also gain good publicity by being present.

The Chairman of the Membership/ Publicity Committee was not able to be present for the meeting. We were informed that there is one confirmed advertiser for the tote bags and others interested. The bags will not be ready for the Spring Sale.

Phil Roark talked about the newsletter. He expects to publish 3 this year. There is a January 22 deadline for the winter issue. He expects to publish one in the spring and one in the summer before the September sale.

Kim Marchesano, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported that the slate is composed of the current officers and moved that the slate be elected. The motion was seconded and passed.

The next meeting will take place on Sunday, March 10, 2024.

Lydia adjourned the meeting.

Susan Ahalt, Secretary