

Friends of Queen Anne's County Library

Minutes of Board Meeting

February 1, 2022

7 p.m. via Zoom

Present: Connie Zillig, Beth Maier, Kerry Harris, Janet Salazar and Lis Cockey.

The meeting was called to order by President Connie Zillig at 7 p.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as submitted with a motion by Beth Maier and second by Kerry Harris.

Financial Update

Beth Maier reported that the income for the month was \$2,595.39 which came from 2021 Annual Appeal donations, the KI Book Nook and interest from the Shore United account. The total account balance as of January 31, 2022 was \$35,077.54. The annual form 990-N (e-Postcard) was submitted to the IRS and was accepted on January 9, 2022. The financial audit for 2021 will be completed on February 8, 2022.

Membership

Connie Zillig reported that there are 542 members at this time.

Library Update

Janet Salazar reported that the FY 2023 budget was ready to be submitted to the county. They are working on the interior of the mobile library and hope to have it ready by the end of the summer. There is no date for the transfer into the new section of the KI library at this time.

Presidents Update

Connie Zillig reported that donations to the Annual Appeal for 2021 continue with the average donation being \$71.59. The Friends of QAC Library were approved for inclusion in the Maryland Charity Campaign for 2022.

Publicity

There were 709 likes to the Facebook page and 23 posts. Kerry Harris suggested including posts of the most popular books checked out at the libraries across all formats. A "Show Your Love for the Library" reminder for the Annual Appeal will be sent out to coincide with Valentine's Day. The updated brochure remains in process.

Current Programs

Book Nooks continue to be stocked. Lis Cockey noted that less books will be taken to KI from the CV storage area until the transition into the new, temporary space at KI. Information about the March 19-20 Pop-Up Book Sale and the Annual Book Sale August 22-27 is on the website. The Chick-Fil-A fundraiser will be rescheduled when a date can be determined with the company.

New Business

Beth Maier completed the Mary Lou Dewey Advocacy and Awareness Grant application. The grant supports projects that encourage citizens to use and support Maryland libraries. The United Way of QAC application for 2022 should be available soon and due by April of 2022.

Board Governance

There was a motion to have Sue Haddox remain as an emeritus member made by Beth Maier and seconded by Kerry Harris. The motion passed unanimously. Connie Zillig will speak to Sue Wilson to see if she would consider being an Emeritus member.

Nominating Committee

The nominating committee has three candidates to interview, Kathy Smarick, Joan Moored and MaryJo DeMatteis. The slate of candidates is due by February 22.

Annual Meeting

It was decided that the Annual Meeting to be held March 1, 2022 will be conducted virtually. All voting will be on-line via Google forms. Those members without email addresses will receive a postcard to notify them of the election. Postcards will be sent out February 15. The slate of nominees is due to the board by February 22. Connie Zillig will work on an outline for the script for the meeting with suggested items being the library expansion, CV display case, mobile library, and the OWL and Oculus systems purchased.

The next Board meeting will be March 1.

Sincerely,

Lis Cockey
Secretary