



Friends of Queen Anne's County Library

Minutes of Board Meeting

March 1, 2022

7 p.m.

Present: Connie Zillig, Janet Salazar, Joan Moored, Kerry Harris, Beth Maier, Kathie Smarick 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 \$730.11 which came from Annual Appeal donations, Book Nook income, new member dues and interest of \$2.20 from the Shore United Bank accounts. Expenses for the month were \$263.60 for the annual website fee and postage stamps. Total account balances as of February 28, 2022, were \$35,544.05. The FOL 2021 financial audit was completed on February 15, 2022, and all records were in order and found to be valid.

Membership

There are 542 member at this time. Membership lists will be updated in April.

Library Update

Janet Salazar reported that the Kent Island branch will be closed for the next 3 weeks for transfer into the new building. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony scheduled for March 22. The FY 23 budget was submitted to the county. There were two funding requests this month.

Presidents Report

Connie Zillig reported that the annual meeting video was well received. Postcards were sent out to notify members who have not provided an email address. No new emails were obtained after this mailing. The results of the voting were as follows: 46 yes votes to accept the annual meeting minutes and 46 yes votes to accept the new slate of board members. Beth Maier moved to accept the electronic vote for two new board members, Joan Moored and Kathie Smarick and to accept the 2021 annual meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Joan Moored and passed. Thank you notes will be sent to the three members of the nominating committee.

Publicity

There were 712 Facebook likes and 25 posts this month and four emails were sent via Mail Chimp. The website was updated to include a link to the new brochure and the annual meeting report and video were linked to the site. Thank you to Kerry Harris for updating the brochure.

Current Programs

The KI Book Nook was emptied and all books were taken to CV. When KI has determined a temporary area for the Book Nook, books will be stocked from the CV collection.

Events



The Pop-UP Book Sale is scheduled for March 19 and 20 at the CV branch. Saturday the 19th will be a donation day with donations accepted from 9-1 and set up for the sale from 1-3. Time slots to help on the donation day will be 9-11, 11-1 and 1-3. Sunday the 20th the sale will be open from 9-3 with clean up from 3-4. Time slots to help on the sale day will be 9-12, 12-3 and 3-4. The Annual Book Sale is scheduled for August 23-27.

New Business

Kathie Smarick is submitting a grant proposal to the Bryan Brothers Foundation. She is asking for assistance with funding a part of the summer reading program.

Beth Maier is working on the United Way application. She will work with the library to seek policy descriptions that are needed for the application.

There will be a Sneak Peek Preview of the KI library on March 12 for major donors and FOL board members will be included. Joan Moored, Beth Maier, Kerry Harris and Lis Cockey will attend.

The library submitted two funding request this month. The first request was to sponsor an adult yoga class for \$1,050.00. After discussion, Lis Cockey moved that we decline the request as it did not have a literary function or align with the mission of the FOL. It was seconded by Joan Moored and the motion passed. The second request was to fund the QAC Story Walk program at 3 parks. There was a motion by Beth Maier that we fund the program for up to \$1,000.00 with a request that FOL branding would be included. The motion was seconded by Kerry Harris and passed.

Board Governance

Connie Zillig reported that Sue Wilson is willing to be an emeritus member for the coming year with a focus on the Little Free Libraries. She moved that we accept Sue Wilson as an emeritus member for the year. The motion was seconded by Kerry Harris and passed.

The election of officers for the coming year was discussed. Joan Moored moved that we accept the following slate: Connie Zillig president, Kathie Smarick vice-president, Beth Maier treasurer and Lis Cockey secretary. The motion was seconded by Kerry Harris and passed. The meeting times for the year will be the first Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. Connie Zillig discussed having a board retreat in the future, possibly at Rams Head Shore House.

Old Business

There were two motions submitted and voted upon via email on February 21. There was a motion by Beth Maier to accept the 2021 Annual Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Kerry Harris and passed. The second motion, by Beth Maier, was to accept the 2022 report of the Nominating Committee to present the proposed nominees to FOL membership for vote, seconded by Kerry Harris and passed.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 5, location to be determined.

Sincerely,

Lis Cockey
Secretary