

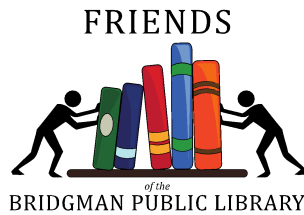
MINUTES
January 19, 2023

IN ATTENDANCE: Julie Bernstein, President
Carol Nash, Vice President
Judith Ray, Recording Secretary
Carl Ceithaml, Treasurer
Regina Ritrovato, Social Chair
Sarah Skinner, Library Director
Guest: Sue Janoskey

ABSENT: Linda Curtis, Corresponding Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m.

- I. Minutes October 20, 2022. Motion to approve by Regina Ritrovato; Carol Nash seconded. Minutes were approved.
- II. Election of Officers
 - Offices due for reelection: Vice President, Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary
 - Carol Nash agreed to continue as Vice President; Carl Ceithaml agreed to continue as Treasurer; Linda Curtis accepted position of Corresponding Secretary.
 - Judith moved that the above offices be approved; Regina seconded. The motion carried.
- III. President's Report/Comments
 - Julie is adding sub-positions to Organizational Chart
 - Amy Abele from the library will do publicity for Friends events;
 - Vice President Carol Nash will oversee Sue Nuti who will take over Book Shoppe organizational duties;



- Corresponding Secretary Linda Curtis will oversee Judith for the 2023/2024 Membership Drive.

IV. Treasurer's Report

- Carl presented financials for the 4th quarter of 2022 as well as a 10-year comparison.
- Carl suggested keeping count of the number of books sold in the Book Shoppe so that we can better determine increases in book sales. Workers should be already doing that. Needs follow-up.
- Carl informed us that Amazon is discontinuing the Smile Program.
- Carl moved that the Friends place a \$2500 cap on the Summer Reading Program. Judith seconded. Motion passed.

V. Library Director's Report

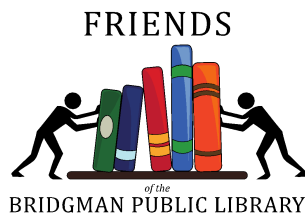
- Sarah passed out a 2022 Year in Review, as well as pictures of the display shelf the Friends donated and the library's new logo. This report will be attached to these minutes and kept in the permanent record.
- In answer to Judith's question, Sarah explained how book loans through Libby are accounted for.
- Sarah was also asked the most popular items in the Library of Things which were the ukulele and the sewing machine.
- Sarah informed us that the library has applied for a grant for a STEM related science kit for kids.
- The Little Explorers program will continue despite the departure of Elizabeth. Sarah will lead the program until a replacement is found.

VI. Old Business

- Julie reported on furniture purchases, Chikaming Township millage, wine program sponsorship of \$100, and National Friends Week.
- Julie reported that we made \$403.50 on the pop-up book sale.

VII. New Business

- A request was made for a \$250 donation to the Early Readers Book Club and a \$50 sponsorship of Michigan Railroads program. Judith moved in favor of this donation; Carol seconded.
- Julie asked for nominations for the Volunteer of the Year.



- Judith suggested Sally Holobaugh. Members agreed on Sally Holobaugh and discussion followed concerning luncheon for staff and luncheon or reception for volunteers.
- Future discussions on both above items will be handled via email as the board does not meet again before the event.
- Julie and Sarah will come up with dates.

VIII. Community-wide Garage Sale for 2023

- Discussion concerning whether to continue this event took place.
- Judith asked that if the Friends were to continue sponsoring it, would the library cover the printing costs.
 - Sarah requested information regarding the number of copies we would need.
 - Judith agreed to furnish this information to Sarah.
- Julie agreed to present the idea of Friends discontinuing the Garage Sale at the next Library Board meeting.

The next board meeting will take place on April 20.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:04 a.m.