

MINUTES

April 18, 2024

IN ATTENDANCE: Julie Bernstein, President
Judith Ray, Recording and Corresponding Secretary
Carl Ceithaml, Treasurer
Denise Malevitis, Library Staff
Anita Edmonds, Guest

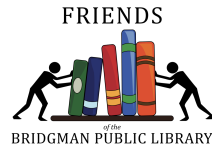
ABSENT: Carol Nash, Vice President
Regina Ritrovato, Social Chair
Sarah Skinner, Library Director

The meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m.

1. Motion to approve minutes of last meeting made by Carl Ceithaml; seconded by Julie Bernstein. Minutes were approved.
2. Officers' Reports
 - a. President: Julie met with Sarah, Denise and Katharine to discuss ways of building the membership of the Friends.
 - b. Vice President: In Carol's absence, Julie reported that the Book Shoppe appears to be running smoothly.
 - c. Membership: No changes in membership since last meeting. Julie stated that the Friends will not be able to use the display case in May this year.
 - d. Treasurer: Carl presented the First Quarter 2024 financial reports.
3. Library Director's Report:

In Sarah's absence, Denise reported that the Summer Reading Program will begin in June. She also reported that plans are underway for the library to participate in the Bridgman 75 year celebration July 11, 12, and 13.
4. Old Business

Both the Staff Appreciation Luncheon and the Volunteer Appreciation luncheons went smoothly. The Staff luncheon was furnished by Full Circle Cafe in Stevensville, and the Volunteer Luncheon was furnished by Martin's Supermarket.
5. New Business:
 - The Membership Drive will take place in June as usual. Judith suggested that perhaps the library staff could assist in merging the membership renewal and thank you letters to help relieve the burden on the Friends.



- A discussion was held concerning the dates of the Summer Used Book Sale. There was general agreement that the sale should continue during the Bridgman celebration.
 - Julie suggested that we have a free book giveaway after the sale to help dispose of the leftover books.
 - It was generally agreed that the Monday following the Book Sale would be a good time to do this.
 - A suggestion was made that the Friends Staff have identifying pins for use during the Book Sale.
- Julie mentioned the possibility of creating a Friends tote bag.

Next meeting is July 18, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.