

**Antioch Library Friends
Executive Committee Meeting
January 3, 2019**

In attendance: Jessica Wisdom, Amy Blue, Eileen Goodman, Darlene Clauson

Financial Report

There was no formal financial report as Melonnie is out of town.

The Wings, Etc. Fundraiser in November made \$35, Jessica sold \$59 worth of books on eBay.

The Book Shop made \$607 in December.

The bank balance is approximately \$12,000.

ThriftBooks made \$69.25 in November and \$153.64 in December—this puts us \$20.03 to the good after shipping.

eBay Selling of Books

Book Shop volunteers can put potentially valuable books on the shelf in the stairwell and Jess will sell them either individually or in lots on eBay. They will go on the shelves where the antique books formerly were.

Auctions

Pat was not at the meeting. She will have the end of year auction report at February's meeting.

New Book Sale Date

The November Book sale made only \$1700, which is less than half that made in previous years. This is due probably both to it being the week before Thanksgiving and the poor weather. There was some discussion of potential dates for 2019 but with so few members present no decision was made. Amy has reserved the Eide room for the last week in September as that was one of the potential dates offered.

Book Shop Refresh

Darlene is looking to refresh the Book Shop, as a lot of titles in there have been in there for a while. Part of the problem is that books seem to be going right from the sorting area downstairs without ever having a chance to be sold. It was suggested that perhaps the room should be stocked with the new arrivals and then bring the displaced older books down to the stairwell.

Also, Eileen proposed removing the Free Box for a time to see what impact it has on sales. There are many people who just go to the room for the free stuff and never buy anything. We'll watch our sales to see what impact removing it has on them. Jess made up a sign and Amy informed staff.

Darlene gave out a proposed update of the Volunteer Instructions so that they are clear and concise. Jess will type them up and post them.

Bag Sale

As part of the Book Sale refresh, Friends would like to clear out some of the more crowded areas of the Book Shop. To this end, they will be having a Bag Sale of Fiction sometime in February, over a weekend. It will take place on tables out in the foyer and will probably mostly feature fiction that has been in the Book Shop for a while. Once the date is decided, Amy will put it in our calendar, get it on

the website and our Facebook as well as BookSaleFinder.com. This will have to be a staffed sale, as it is a bag sale.

Donation of Children's Books to Area Preschools

Eileen and Marilyn donated about 200 books to 4 local area preschools before Christmas.

Library Requests

Amy presented library requests for \$1,000 for an Accuquilt machine to circulate and for \$4,000 for our annual summer reading programs for all departments. The requests were tabled due to low attendance.

Next Meeting:

Thursday, February 7, 2019 at 10 a.m.