

**Antioch Library Friends  
Executive Committee Meeting  
Thursday, August 6, 2020**

**In attendance: Marilyn Cotteleer, Jessica Wisdom, Amy Blue, Mary Lou Balazs, Darlene Clauson, Melonnie Hartl, Raven Farias, Laura Fowler**

**Financial Report**

Thriftbooks had a check that was returned. We will be setting up direct deposit with them so that doesn't happen again.

Because mail wasn't received during the closure, there was a fine levied by the Illinois Department of Revenue for non-payment of sales tax. Melonnie will write a letter protesting this to see if they will waive it.

The book shop made \$466.93 between March 1 and July. \$10 of this was a membership without a card.

Melonnie also deposited \$277 from the latter part of July.

**Silent Auctions**

Amy pulled the sheets for the items that were in the case when we closed. Jess suggested doing an online auction instead of in person. It was suggested maybe we could have an in person auction set of items as well as an online set of auction items. Jess recommended to moving totally online, but noted that shipping cost/hassle is the downside. Darlene proposed doing online auctions until the end of the year. Jess moved to do online only auctions until the end of the year, Marilyn seconded and all voted aye. Jess will get this going.

**Book Shop**

Darlene wants to be dictator of the Book Shop until the pandemic is over 😊. She has a few changes she wants to make and it is difficult in the current situation to discuss them. She will get together with Marilyn and Eileen to discuss.

**Volunteers**

Jane Brossart is a potential new volunteer, but she is not currently working. Marilyn is still out of commission due to her arm.

**Library's Reopening plans**

The library is currently open: Monday and Thursday, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., 5 p.m.-8 p.m. and Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 1 p.m.-5 p.m. They will be staying on these hours through Labor Day. When the library goes back to its full hours, it will still not be offering in person programs, reserving the meeting rooms for large groups, having more than one chair at tables and will still be quarantining materials.

Jennifer would like all the Friends who sort books to watch our training video on safety during covid. Amy will send out the link to the recording with the minutes.

### **Library Expansion Plans**

The library is going for referendum in November. Please stay tuned for a Zoom meeting with the architect which will go over the plans as well as information how you can be involved.

### **Book Sale**

Donations are currently being quarantined in the Eide room along the south wall. There have not been tons of donations and, as per usual, much of it is unsellable.

Amy reminded everyone that the library might still be on reduced hours at the end of September, although they don't currently plan to be. Also, half the Eide room will be taken up with quarantine materials. Volunteers are also somewhat diminished.

In light of these limitations, it was decided to do a foyer sale of pre-packed bags of books (by genre) on the Friday and Saturday, September 25 and 26. We might use clear bags so customers can see what's in them, but bags won't be allowed to be open. Darlene has discovered that gallon plastic bags will hold up to 10 mass market paperbacks. DVDs and CDs will be included.

### **Open Arms Donation**

The Open Arms donation ceremony was lovely and they were very grateful for the \$2,000. Jess had emailed a picture to everyone. The second donation of \$2,000 will be given next week.

Back to the Books Virtual 5K

The Virtual 5K has about 20 people registered and the Friends will clear about \$100 from it once the prizes are bought. Jess said it was easy to set up and she would gladly do it again.

### **Items for the Library's Newsletter**

Jess would like a mention of the Back to the Books 5K as well as maybe a picture.

The book sale will be featured.

### **Train Station**

Mary Lou will start restocking the train station.