

**Antioch Library Friends
Executive Committee Meeting
Thursday, January 7 2021**

In attendance: Amy Blue, Marilyn Cotteleer, Carolyn Hounsell, Melonnie Hartl, Jessica Wisdom, Laura Fowler, Darlene Clauson

Financials

The book shop made \$451.00 in December and \$20 was made selling the sled decoration. This is only \$117 down from December 2019 which isn't much, considering. We are starting to make profit from our last Thriftbooks shipment. We are still working out getting direct deposit set up with them, so we may get a check or it may get deposited. We did get a check from them for \$68.31.

Jess refunded the money she had accidentally charged to the Friends debit instead of her own.

Expenses in December included \$150 to the maintenance crew for Christmas gifts. We also paid about \$20 in eBay expenses.

The balance in our account at the end of December was \$13, 070.

Auctions

2 items sold on eBay. The 2 items were candles and the whole series of Full House. They made \$49.83. Jess requested a check but is working on getting the Friends Paypal linked to eBay. She is currently using her personal Paypal account.

We are currently between auctions. The case does have a Q/R code on it which, when scanned, will take the person directly to the Friends' eBay seller page. We do put smaller items in the case, to get some foot traffic bids, but now with eBay, we can have large items too.

Book Shop

No changes afoot.

Accepting Donations

There was much discussion about whether to continue accepting donations. Factors for continuing: we get some real treasures, it generates community goodwill, it will keep us supplied. Factors against continuing: we've gotten some items in really poor condition, there are many baskets in the stairwell of items that aren't selling, we are short staffed of sorters/stockers.

Ultimately it was decided to pause accepting donations for the foreseeable future. Amy reminded all that we will still get some—and suggested we stop for several months at least, because it's difficult for staff to keep up if we start and stop too frequently.

We reminded everyone to box up items that are extra and aren't selling to put on the pallet in maintenance for shipping to Thriftbooks.

Library Request

Amy requested \$4,000 to support our summer reading program. She told everyone some of our preliminary plans; we plan to do an all ages program like last year, but not a community read a thon. We do hope, however, to be able to donate to Open Arms again as part of the program.

Jess moved to donate the \$4,000; all voted aye. Mel will be mailing a check. Thank you Friends!

Tables in Foyer

Friends can sell coffee table books the first week in February in the foyer. Amy will put it in the calendar and ask Roy to bring up tables then. Monday is February 1, so setup will start the Sunday and tables will be up through the following Sunday.

Print Cartridges

The teen volunteer sorted the print cartridges and they were shipped off. Jess also found \$5 in the cartridge collection box!