

Friends of the Library Virtual Meeting 10/20/20 3:00

Present- Lynn Brammer, Piper Durrell, Linda Greaver, Ellen Hall, Janice Litschert, Linda Powers, Linda Spivey, Brenda Springer

1. Ellen- Acceptance of Agenda
so approved

2. Ellen- Approval of Minutes
motion to approve-Linda Powers, 2nd- Brenda Springer
Ellen, Brenda and Piper all responded individually to Susan Keith's concerns about the minutes

3. Brenda- Treasurer's Report

*\$310 dollars from Board members donated for lunch for library staff (listed under Donations- Individuals). Lunches cost \$729.72 and the remaining monies were taken from the hospitality budget.

The lunches were much appreciated according to various people including Karim, Linda Soivey and other staff members. Ellen will send us- electronically- copies of the thank you notes when they arrive.

Many kudos, well deserved to Brenda, for ideas and the logistics necessary.

Noted once again that the money from interest on CD's was/is minimal and there was a feeling that cash might be needed because of the peculiar circumstances caused by closed libraries.

*Membership fees totaling \$1310 have been received, including PayPal online, and eventually there is hope of receiving the \$3,054 desired once the membership drive occurs.

*The Foundation did give \$30,000 for electronic books. Curbside pick-up numbers, which include electronic books, have been impressive at all the libraries

*Booksales- several issues related to booksales were discussed

A check arrived/was deposited for \$187 made in book sales by a company called Better World Books. It is believed that check was based on sales pre-pandemic.

Linda Greaver said someone had asked her if they could drop off books for sale. Although there is no formal avenue for the drop-off of books to be sold, if books appear if the drop-off they may in fact be put aside for future sales.

It appears that all the libraries are accruing book piles for future sales (sometimes large piles!) and *perhaps* Friends of the Library volunteers might be able to come into the library to help on a limited basis.

Ken asked, via email, about the possibility of Meadowbrook having an outside book sale.

Ellen will check with Karim about this possibility, has to based on the rules set by the Trustees.

*Other libraries may also be interested in exploring the possibility of outdoor booksales.

Christiansburg has a tent.

*Blacksburg already has a kiosk with free books in front of the library during the hours it is open.

4. Ellen- Scheduling annual election and annual meeting

In the past the election has been held at the annual meeting. This year the annual October meeting/author talk will not be happening. The bylaws state "shall have an election" so, therefore, the election will happen electronically. All members with email addresses will receive an electronic copy of the ballot.

A slate nominated by- ? Which Linda and who else
President- Ellen Hall
Treasurer_ Brenda Springer
Secretary- Susan Keith

5. Call to Adjourn- Linda Powers, seconded by Piper