

Claverack Free Library
Monthly Meeting of the Friends of the Claverack Library (held at CFL)
Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 10, 2023, 5:00 PM

Present: Mario Verna, Nancy Eos, Paula Ptaszek, Thea Schoep.

Absent: Marion Vosburgh, Karolyn Schwab, Michael Sullivan, Ann Singleton.

1. Call to order/Approval of the February 13 meeting minutes

By Mario Verna, chair/pres, at 5:15pm in Teen Room CFL

No quorum present so no voting.

Today is discussion, planning, To-do's.

NOTE: Minutes left to be approved next meeting.

2. Financial Report – 3/31/2023 balance: \$9,209.90 - Marion

Elevator costs responsibility: no agreement yet; probably to be deleted from CFL-F budget.

NOTE: Financial Report sent by Marion and to be discussed & approved at next meeting.

3. No public comments.

4. Committee Reports.

5. Wish List. List of Wish/Friends Expenditure is appended to Agenda.

Two items need amounts to approve: 1. Book It – Thea on it. 2. Pro printers – Paula on it.
Battle of the Books (Thea): may go over \$500 after ALL costs.

There will be a buzzer system. They are working on how to be a team & do trivia as a group. Old buzzer is over 10 years old and not working. \$380(?) ?shipping included.
Hoopla is \$350 for one month (Thea). Extending to a yearly cost will exceed \$1,200 discussed that Friends would pay. \$1200(?) to be matched by Philmont. More later.

Podium (Paula): there is an issue at Questar in that no one has time to build one. More later.

Water filling station (Thea): Price has substantially increased since last year. Looking to have one with a water filter since town water is chlorinated. Mike looking into water pressure issue. More later.

Tables (Paula): TBD later.

Keurig. Thea to talk to Alice regarding items to purchase.

6. Friends timeline.

Raffle: Paula is pursuing.

Food Trucks: Paula first 2 weeks in May are open & 2 other dates opened up. Paula is on it.

7. Book It (Thea).

16 or so sponsors.

Active page is up and running.

Hats are in color.

Thank you letters to sponsors – will try to have Philmont to do thank you letters.

Radio group will be asked to help as they have with Ghostly Gallop in Hudson last year.

Flyers are available for distribution. Karolyn, Mario, Thea & Paula have covered (discussed).

Letters of request for food, drink, etc. need to be done – Thea has list. Buddy at Churchtown took flyers.

Paula to cover Chatham schools.

8. National Library Workers Day is Tuesday April 25. A day for library staff, users, administrators & Friends groups to recognize the valuable contributions made by all library workers.

Envelope is in Mario's possession for the contribution. See his email to CFL-F only.

9. Fall Book Sale. Paula & Ann

April begins the advertising – but not yet. Need official times. Paula is on it.

Needs: cleaning & pallets in book sorting room. Mario offered help.

Order outdoor string lights to be considered so that those in Community Room are not taken down.

10. Volunteer Symposium June 3, 2023 10am-2pm.

Ann, Karolyn & Mario agreed to bake sweets for the sale.

Need volunteers for Friends table to enlist/join Friends.

Banner via Paula displayed. All agreed looks good & says what is needed.

6-8 organizations responded – 10 tables plus more are available.

11. Beer Stained Fiddle Concert April 29, 2023 6pm.

75 occupants inside are ok. Can't charge for beer -gratuity flight for \$20 suggested donation.

Need way (carry carton) to get to the person.

RSVP about 16 or so to date.

12. ToDo's:

Quarterly newsletter. Thea offers to have CFL-F to write in CFL periodical.

Coffee Day: April 18th from Tierra Farms. Question who is to set up and clean up.

13. New Business: None.

Next meeting Monday May 8th 2023 at 5:00 pm. NOTE time change for summer time fun afterwards...

Scribed by: Nancy Eos

Checked by: Mario Verna