



Minutes for the Friends of the Library Meeting

January 22, 2019

Members in attendance: Emily, MaryFran, Cindy, Tommy, Gloria, Nancy and Maria

Meeting called to order at 6:08

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Talking points** - Members were given talking points on the value of the library to share in the community (a year in review sheet)
2. **Scavenger hunt 2018 funds update** - There was a motion and we agreed to spend \$500 for a Die-cut machine with our funds from the scavenger hunt. Maria will check with the current staff about which machine would suit their purposes best.
3. **Hancock Library-** The PLDL has been contracted to help run the public library space that is part of the Hancock High School. There was some discussion on how we can help this project. They are having an upcoming open house/book sale. We are going to lend our expertise to help assist them and we might even have a few volunteers from our group at the sale. Maryfran is contacting Bonnie Ashburn to see how we can help. There was also a motion and we agreed to give Dillon \$600 to go towards the Hancock project, specifically to purchase a computer to be used for patron access to the online card catalog.
4. **Econo Receipts** -We are creating a box/envelope for these at the library. We are asking Cindy to assist us.
5. **Book Art Fundraiser-** We will get the word out to recruit artists by Feb 25-March 2. Projects will be due at the library April 3 and on display from April 6-13 (to allow for two weekends). We will meet Friday, April 5 to setup the display. We scouted the library a bit to see where we could expand our display so items can be viewed. It looks like having some at a table in the same space as last year, with additional items in the Michigan Room would work. We will try to display the children's category art in the children's area (on top of the book shelves)

Additions/Changes for this year: we will introduce a children's category for artists 12 and under. This will be display only (not for auction). In the children's category, artists may start with one of the books we have available, or they may start with their own book. We will have a viewer's choice award in the children's category(\$10 gift certificate to Swift's Hardware). We will also have a separate viewer's choice award for the adult category.

We also decided on this language: “Any donated piece that is not purchased in the auction will either be returned to the artist or donated to the Friends group, at the discretion of the contributing artist.”

6. Staff Appreciation and Library appreciation week- We will have our staff appreciation lunch as we have done previously. Maria will check on which day of the week would be best to hit the most staff during their work shifts. Gloria will look into giveaway items (pencils, etc) that we could order that would say ‘Friends of PLDL’ for giveaway to patrons during Library Appreciation Week. We will also check with Shannon to see if she would be willing to design some bookmarks for giveaway. We will do a cookie giveaway to patrons on the Saturday of library appreciation week. Mary Fran will check with her daughter, Kate, to see if we could purchase cookies from her. Either heart-shaped or perhaps something with the “If you give a Mouse a Cookie” book theme. Maria will check with Dillon about how many people might come to the library on a typical Saturday so we can estimate how many cookies we might need.

Next Meeting

Tentative date for next meeting will be February 19.

Meeting adjourned at _____
Respectfully submitted by Emily Raffaelli and _____