

**FRIENDS OF THE AMHERST PUBLIC LIBRARY MEETING
APRIL 24, 2019**

Called to Order: 11:18 am

Present: Marlene Sundheimer, Carol Valenti, Marilynn Bronson, Laurie Laubacher, Diane Lamoreaux, Marilyn Hubbard, Kay Clark, Beverly Paige, Reggie Sakach, Debbie Waller, Judy Alexander, Andy Flynn, Susan Underwood, Sharon Vollmer, Maureen Dix

Moderator: Sharon Vollmer

Past Minutes: Approved

Financials: Checking: \$12,440.12 CD: \$5,735.98 Total Assets: \$18,176.10 Book Box: \$86.12

OLD BUSINESS

Membership: Carol Valenti reports 93 current members.

Donation: A thank you letter was received from the Lorain County Community Foundation for the \$500.00 donation made by the Friends of the Amherst Public Library for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library Fund.

Supply Fund: Kay Clark made a motion that \$2.00 from the price of each ticket sold for a Friends function be set aside to pay for supplies; ex: tablecloths, paper products, etc. Marilynn Bronson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Book Sale: The Spring Book Sale is scheduled for Saturday, April 27th and Sunday, April 28th. Set up will be in the morning of Friday, April 26th and a Friends member's only sale will be on Friday afternoon for from 3:00 to 5:00. Judy Alexander has contacted Nancy from the library and she has stated that members of the libraries youth group will assist with the hauling and emptying of boxes on Thursday evening.

Staff Appreciation Luncheon: The annual library staff appreciation luncheon will be held on Wednesday, May 15th and Thursday, May 16th. Olde Town Pizza will be providing lunches for about 35 staff members. Judy Alexander will provide candy bars and Cookie McLoda will make a dessert.

Kindergarten Read Program: Maureen Dix has contacted Scholastic Publishing and they have paperback copies of "Giraffes Can't Dance" available for \$3.96 per copy. For each 150 copies purchased 25 free copies of paperback books will be made available to the library. The children's librarian will select the grade level of books. Andy Flynn contacted Houghton-Mifflin Publishing and they can provide copies of "Curious George Visits the Library" for \$2.40 each. Diane Lamoreaux made a motion that we select "Giraffes Can't Dance" as our 2019 book. Marilyn Hubbard seconded. Motion carried.

Fall Fund Raising Tea: The second Fall Fund Raising Tea will be held on Sunday, September 15th at the Grange Hall of the Amherst Historical Society. Tickets will be \$20.00 each.

2019 Author Luncheon: The 15th annual author luncheon will be held on Thursday, October 24th at Heritage Presbyterian Church at noon. Author Thrity Umrigar will be speaking about her most recent book, "The Secrets Between Us". Catering will be provided by Spectrum Catering. Tickets are \$20.00.

2019 Community Shred Day: The sixth annual Community Shred Day is scheduled for Saturday, July 13th from 10:00 am to 1:00pm in the library parking lot. Members of the Heritage Presbyterian Church Boy Scout troop will be on hand to help unload bags. There is a limit of five bags or boxes per person.

NEW BUSINESS

Dine to Donate: Carol Valenti has secured a date for the annual dine to donate event. It will be held on Tuesday, June 18th at Olde Town Pizza. Both dine in and carry out orders are eligible.

Donation of Tickets: Two tickets to the 2019 Author Luncheon will be donated to the Wine and Chocolate Walk and two will be donated to the library's Summer Read Program.

2020 Author Luncheon: Author Julie Zicefoose has signed a contract with the Friends for the 16th annual author luncheon. She will be paid \$500.00 plus \$100.00 for travel expenses. Julie is an author, artist and naturalist whose latest book is "Baby Birds".

Fall Book Sale: The fall book sale will be held in the library on November 16th and 17th. Set up will be on Friday, November 15th.

Adjourned: 11:44 am

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at 11:15 am in the library

Respectfully Submitted,
Maureen Dix, Secretary