

**FRIENDS OF THE AMHERST PUBLIC LIBRARY
MEETING JULY 26, 2017**

Called to Order: 11:18 am

Present: Marilyn Hubbard, Bev Paige, Regina Sakach, Judy Alexander, Diane Lamoreaux, Carol Valente, Sue Underwood, Charlene Kalo, Sharon Vollmer, Maureen Dix, Cookie McLoda

Moderator: Sharon Vollmer

Past Minutes: Approved

Financial: Checking: \$13,033.21 CD: \$5,590.28 Total Assets: \$18,623.49 Book Box: \$150.00
Treasurer Sue Underwood reports that she has filed all required non profit forms for the State of Ohio.

OLD BUSINESS

Membership: Current membership is 105.

Shredding Day: Carol Valente reported that the shredding day project was again a success. She thanked all of the volunteers, especially the members of Boy Scout Troop #494. The costs were \$375.00 for the truck and a \$150.00 donation to the scouts. Water and snacks for the scouts were donated. She will check into the possibility of using Lorain county's newly purchased shredding truck for next year.

Dine to Donate: Carol reported a profit of \$387.00 from the dine to donate event at Olde Town Pizza. Thank you to all who participated. A thank you note will be sent to Olde Town.

Amazon Smile: Judy Alexander reported that she is still working on getting information about the Amazon Smile project posted to the library's web site.

Web Site: Sharon Vollmer suggested that Kristen be contacted to update photos on the Friends section of the library's web site.

Community Project: Carol reported 2017-18 kindergarten enrollment figures. Amherst: 217, St. Joseph: 25, Firelands:150. Maureen Dix will contact Candlewick Press to order 390 copies of the Library Lion.

NEW BUSINESS

Smartboard: Don Dovala attended the meeting and stated that the library would like to purchase a Smartboard to use for programs in the DeLloyd room. The Friends agreed that they would like to make a donation toward the purchase, but require more details. Don will report back following the next library board meeting.

2018 Brunch: The possibility of hosting a fund raising brunch featuring a children's author has been tabled until 2018.

Imagination Library: Judy continues to monitor the county's progress with the Dolly Parton Imagination Library and will try to determine if/where the Friends group can participate.

2017 Author's Luncheon: Marilynn Bronson will be starting publicity for the 2017 Author's Luncheon featuring Mary Doria Russell in August. Judy has printed the tickets and has begun distributing them. They may be purchased from Friends members or at the circulation desk in the library. The price remains at \$15.00 each. The date of the luncheon is October 6th.

Fall Book Sale: Charlene Kalo reported that patrons have begun donating books for the Fall book sale that will be held November 4th and 5th.

Adjourned: 11:43 am

Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 11:15 am

Respectfully Submitted:

Maureen Dix, Secretary