Friends of the Berwyn Public Library

Minutes
Tuesday, May 9th, 2023 at 6:00pm
Berwyn Public Library Community Room
Present at the meeting: Mary Drenth, Christine Lojewski, Nora Laureto, Karin Nangreave, Lisa Jaburek, Tammy Sheedy, Sandra Neri, Suzanne Fournier, Bev Applebaum, Erika Corona Owens, Nona Chapman

I. General Business
   1. Call to Order: recognize visitors and members 6:05pm
      A. Review and approve Agenda: Motioned by Suzanne Fournier, seconded by Nona Chapman, approved by all.
      B. Approval of Minutes Motioned by Christine Lojewski, seconded by Suzanne Fournier, approved by all.
      C. Communications: None

II. Reports
   A. Treasurer’s Report: FOBL has about $22k in cash, and most of the year’s expenditures have been made at this point. FOBL paid for the Library’s staff appreciation breakfast for National Library Workers Week.
   B. Membership Report: Erika has had a few more members. Erika met w/someone at the Friends of Riverside Library to get info on membership drives and fundraisers. They do a wine event and also do membership drives twice a year. Opportunities for events that FOBL could have a table at were discussed. We also discussed doing FOBL memberships as a holiday gift for Winter 2023. The goal is to have a presence at at least one event each month this summer. Erika will coordinate the dates and attendance.
   C. Book Sale Report: The books continue to sell extremely fast.
   D. Fundraiser Report: None.

III. Other business
   A. Christine mentioned a kid’s costume swap or a clothing swap that is not specifically holiday themed. A discussion was held about the volunteer requirements, and it was determined that this may be too much of a commitment. Mary suggested we need an event subcommittee to assist with planning and executing events for the upcoming year. A “stock the classrooms” event was discussed. Nora will start the process by checking in with Erica Harris, and if it is deemed feasible, will pass it off to another volunteer (Potentially Lisa and Suzanne).
   B. Christine will contact Japes about the Little Free Library work he did and if it needs to transition off seeing as he is now on the D100 board.
C. Tammy noted that the Best of Berwyn top three students received scholarships to start high school, as this might be a potential scholarship opportunity. Tammy will survey staff to see if the Friends can support any of the employees in continuing education.

Suzanne motioned to close at 7PM, seconded by Nora, and approved by all.