



FRIENDS OF THE PAMLICO COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
September 22nd, 2022, MEETING MINUTES

Attendees: Jessie Aldridge, Rich and Carolyn Bartz, Ben Bowditch, Ellen Butler, Shelia Cantine, Bonnie Cap, Mary Hiatt, Jeff Leonard, Peg Vick.

1. Call to Order: Bonnie called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm.
2. Approval of Minutes: May meeting minutes emailed to all members. Minutes were approved with no corrections. Motion to accept: Mary Hiatt, second: Peg Vick. Members unanimously voted to accept minutes.
3. Committee Reports:
 - a. Treasurer: \$1,924,358.00 total in accounts. Includes 1.5M grant not yet received. Contract not yet signed, should be signed within the month. Rich presenting
 - b. Membership: 114 members, 44 individual and 70 family. 1 renewal, 4 individuals and 2 families joined this month. Motion to set membership fee at \$25 for both Individuals and family made by Peg Vick. Seconded by Ellen. Motion passed. Committee will send letter in November for 2023 membership renewal. Bonnie presenting
 - c. Social: Trunk or Treat children's event to be headed up by Ellen Butler at Library. Bonnie presenting
 - d. Communications/Marketing: Organizational meetings to set priorities and showstoppers. Many items on to do list were accomplished. Team to work as a proactive presence to get volunteers and boost interest. Sidney to get Facebook password to Mary. Mary presenting
 - e. Fundraising: Mary is heading up a volunteer appreciation event for the Nov 17th meeting. Committee needs event organizers.
4. Library News
 - a. Summer Reading program reached 38 pre-k, roughly 50 6-11 year-olds, and 2 12-18 year-olds. Library to collaborate with the High School and Middle School to incorporate school summer reading lists with library summer reading program. Pamlico Partnership for Children participated. 35,000 minutes read among all age groups. Events were held several days

- each week. New families attended this year. Summer reading program used no money from Friends of Library.
- b. Library would like FOL to facilitate Truck or Treat. Ellen to work with Fran to collaborate on advertising. FOL to donate candy with unused summer reading program money.
 - c. Sidney will discuss bringing back the Holiday Boutique "Artisan Craft Show" with the library.
 - d. Rich requested information on what the library would like FOL to support financially to ensure inclusion in coming year's budget.
 - e. Bookmobile will travel out on the 1st Friday of the month.
 - f. Updated calendar for October is available: Pumpkin decorating contest, Adult movie matinee at 12:30 October 12 and October 26, Evening Outdoor movie at 6:00 October 24, Trunk or Treat 11:00-1:00 October 29.
5. Ongoing Business
- a. Mary reported need an overarching Capital Campaign document and an engagement plan. Upcoming community fundraisers include a book sale possibly in October. Mary explained reasoning for creating a decision making committee to allow FOL to move forward with many plans/proposals. The group represents the Pamlico Library, Friends of the Library, Pamlico County, and the Library Board. Architect and sign proposals submitted to group for decision.
 - b. No discussion on Bloomerang.
 - c. Rich presented an update on the Hardee's Building. Rich to take inspector to Hardee's for occupancy agreement once the building is clean and empty.
6. New Business: FOL needs volunteers at Ole Front Porch Festival. Mary to post on Facebook.
- a. Bonnie purchased a 10x20 tent that will be used at Festival. Setup is 8:30 AM 9/30. Mary requested borrowing 5 tables from the library.
 - b. Future book sale date will depend on cleaning the new library.
 - c. Volunteer appreciation event during the November meeting.
7. Old Business: Bonnie reporting that the June 3rd event netted a \$1500 donation to FOL.
8. **Next Meeting: November 17th at 5PM at Silo's Restaurant in Oriental**
9. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Peg, seconded by Sheila. The meeting was adjourned at 5:06PM.