

Friends of Ainsworth Public Library
November 4, 2021

The meeting was brought to order by ilene elliott at her home at 6:00 p.m. in the absence of Chair, Eileen Corriveau.

Present: Karen Bell, ilene elliott, Alice Simpson, Ricky Towle, and Sheila Menard joined by telephone.

Secretary's Report: I asked for confirmation of who had signed the Memo of Understanding, which was Helen Duke, Sarah Snow, and Eileen Corriveau. Karen made a motion which was seconded by Alice to accept the October 7 minutes. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Karen gave the Treasurer's Report. It was agreed that the next payment to the library Trustees for the children's book bins would total \$475 (\$25 per month for three months, \$100 from recent fundraising, and \$300 from a donation).

Old Business:

Snack Shack Fundraiser:

We did two sales (September 18 and October 9) and made \$90.34.

We plan to do it again this spring for the baseball and softball season, but with a streamlined menu that will include home-baked goods, drinks, chips, etc.

Administrator of Friends' Facebook Page:

ilene talked with John Taylor about who is the administrator of the page. He will do more research, and ilene will check with him again. The questions were raised as to whether or not the page is useful for the Friends and whether it should be taken down or reactivated.

Friends' By-Laws:

Karen will also check the Friends' closet to see if she can find a copy of the by-laws.

New Business:

Library Update:

The library is currently understaffed and is unable to operate full hours. The library is looking for a new clerk.

The Trustees held a fundraiser on Saturday, October 30, where they sold small decorated pumpkins, and they plan to do it again on Friday, November 5.

The Trustees held their annual Trunk or Treat on October 30. Donations of \$100 were received and 180 books were given out as well as the treats.

Future Fundraisers:

Holiday Craft Fair on Saturday, December 11: ilene will call Karla Perkins to see if plans are still moving forward on this event. The Friends have decided to wait to make a decision on whether to participate or not.

Memorial Day Book & Cookie Sale: This is one of our best fundraisers. This will be the date we will begin selling raffle tickets for the quilt, greeting cards, and one more item, and maybe hold a bottle drive to be coordinated with the Trustees.

Other:

ilene reminded us that APL is looking for a library clerk.

Adjournment:

If needed, the next monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, December, 2. There will be no meetings in January or February. The first meeting in 2022 will be on March 3. Ricky made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Karen. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Menard