

FRIENDS OF THE DUBUQUE COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT  
ASBURY BRANCH  
OCTOBER 13, 2022  
MINUTES\*

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**Members present:** Mark Arnold ,Barb Balk\*\*, Jane Bechen, Vanita Bries\*\*, Mary Groth, Mary Houselog, Christine Murphy, Mary Pfeiler, Ann Straley  
Visitor: Terrie Lenger, Library Board of Trustees representative

**Secretary's Report:** Terrie Lenger amended the date for the Halloween parade to October 21. Motion to amend the date change by Jane; second, Mary G. Approved.  
Motion to approve the amended minutes by Jane; second, Mary H. Approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Mary H. gave the Treasurer's Report—deposit of \$111 for sale of raffle tickets; balance in checking is \$3,770.51. Petty cash, \$30.38. Approved.

**Director's Report:** (President Linda gave the report as Director Amanda was attending a conference.)

- Farley Branch:  
Ninety-nine patron visits in the first twelve days of opening. Patrons expressed favorable comments on the space and longer hours.
- Holiday hours for branches:  
Closed Veterans' Day—November 11; Closed Thanksgiving and following day—November 24 and 25; open Saturday November 26.  
Closed for Christmas—Friday, December 23--Monday, December 26; open Tuesday, December 27
- Annual Report:  
Amanda has submitted the report called The State of the Library.

6:07 p.m. Christine arrived.

- Computer System:  
Library has transitioned to a new computer system.
- Programs for Summer:  
1,664 registered for reading programs; 1,800 attended 201 events over a 10-week period.
- Circulation:  
Circulation up on book materials; children's circulation up 8%; other formats have doubled in circ figures including downloadable audio books.
- Friends of the Library Week:  
Recognized on library website.

## Old Business:

Bingo Fundraiser at Locals: Angie from Locals in Epworth said for us to set a date in March. We will need a license (\$15) which Mary P. will purchase. We can use bingo equipment from Sunnycrest. We will need to buy bingo cards and chips. Prizes could be cash, gift cards, or donated prizes. Jane suggested that we talk to someone who runs bingo games. Need two people to co-chair this event; let Linda know if you are interested. Event will be held on Thursday, March 30 which is chili-dog night. Christine offered \$50 to start the prize pot

Gift Wrapping Fundraiser: Mary P. and Christine will chair this event. Linda has contacted the mall and asked for December 17 and 18. Times will be in the afternoon. Insurance has been taken care of.

Ideas for Farley Branch gift: Amanda submitted a list of items for the Farley Branch: a desk (\$785), a bookcase (\$199), storage cabinet (\$390), endcaps, collection of used furniture from Marion Public Library. Motion to purchase the desk and the storage cabinet by Jane; second Christine. Approved.

## New Business:

Kwik Care Application: Application will be made for the donation jar. Due October 25.

Volunteer Gifts: We currently have seven volunteers assisting with programs. Mary P. moved that they each receive a thank you note and a \$10 Hy-Vee gift card; second, Christine. Linda will send Ann a list of the volunteers' names and information on their workplace and job. Mary H. will get the gift cards and deliver them to Ann. Ann will send the ty cards before Thanksgiving.

December meeting: Mary P. suggested that instead of a potluck this year that we go out to a restaurant. Decision to go to Locals in Epworth on Thursday, Dec 8 at 6:00 p.m. We will invite Amanda and Andrew.

Adjourned, 6:45 p.m.

Ann Niday Straley, Secretary

\*Minutes in DRAFT form pending review and approval at the November 2022 meeting.

\*\*Potential new board members

Next meeting: **Thursday, November 10 at 6:00 p.m.** at the Peosta Branch  
Thursday, December 8 at 6:00 p.m. at Locals in Epworth  
Thursday, January 12 at 6:00 p.m. at the Epworth Branch