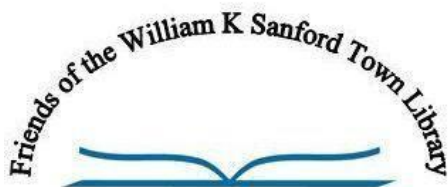


**FRIENDS OF THE
W.K. SANFORD COLONIE
TOWN LIBRARY MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 15, 2022 6:00PM**



ATTENDING

Edye Benson, Tori Brannigan, Judy Fruiterman, Maria Homolova, Mary Ellen Jung, Becky Klope, Karen Langell, Louise McColgin, Leslye Milos, Jennifer Soucy, Mary Van Ullen.

ANNUAL REPORT

Becky presented an overview of the projects and fundraisers Friends worked on during the year. Friends engaged in a variety of activities to raise money to support the Library and worked to repurpose books that couldn't otherwise be sold.

- Love Your Library sales of paper hearts during February
- Book Nook sales from May-September
- Harvest Fest sales at the Book Nook
- Book sorting of donated materials every week
- Very successful Book Sale this fall
- Little Free Library Support, including financial support for some and providing a source of books for many
- Shipped two pallets of materials to Thrift Books for sales or recycling
- Sales of books on eBay and to a book dealer
- Distribute excess books to shelters and other charitable organizations

Friends of the Library currently includes:

- 55 active volunteers
- Support for 10 Little Free Libraries
- 209 active memberships
- 186 people who gave donations

Leslye presented an overview of the Friends of the Library annual finances.

Annual Treasurer's Report 2022

October 8, 2021 - October 22, 2022

INCOME		EXPENSES	
Amazon Smile	\$29.00	Canopy for Book Nook	\$290.00
Appeal	\$9,344.00	Career Books/Test Book	\$2,129.00
Book Nook	\$8,223.00	Crystal Rock	\$2,388.00
Donations	\$2,354.00	Mulch/Shrubs-Garden	\$400.00
eBay Book Sales	\$4,082.00	Museum Passes	\$2,535.00
Fall Book Sale	\$10,391.00	Postage	\$418.00
Heart Sales	\$767.00	Bags Purchased	\$668.00
Hoffman Car Wash	\$104.00	Supplies	\$122.00
Memberships w/Donations	\$5,914.00	Thank You-Staff & Volunteers	\$143.00
Thrift Books	\$165.00	USPS Bulk Mail Permit	\$265.00
		YouTube	\$195.00
Total	\$41,373.00	Youth/Teen/Adult Programs	\$4,375.00
		Total	\$13,928.00
SUMMARY			
Checking	*\$39,415.60	*as of Sept 30, 2022	
Savings	\$1,137.68		
CD	\$10,534.36		
CD	\$10,498.82		
CD	\$10,534.36		
CD	\$10,286.63		
CD	\$10,084.84		
TOTAL	\$92,492.29		

LIBRARY REPORT

Evelyn Neale couldn't attend the meeting, and no report was available. Jenn noted that the recycling issue has not been resolved.

MONTHLY TREASURER'S REPORT

Leslye reviewed the November report.

November 15, 2022					
Income:		Expenses:		Checking Summary	
Amazon Smile	\$5.87	Bags Purchased	\$668.14	Previous Balance	\$45,395.08
Donations	\$600.00	Crystal Rock	\$342.53	Income	\$3,444.41
eBay Book Sales	\$1,075.23	FaceBook Ads - Book Sale	\$60.00	SubTotal	\$48,839.49
Fall Book Sale	\$2.00	Mystery Book Club - Thrift Books	\$42.25	Expenses	\$1,200.47
Memberships	\$35.00	Supplies - Packing Tape - Becky	\$16.61	New Balance	\$47,639.02
Square, Inc. - Book Sales-Credit Cards	\$1,726.31	Thank You Coffee Time - Becky	\$40.96		
Total	\$3,444.41	YouTube	\$29.98		
		Total	\$1,200.47	Summary of Accounts	
				Checking	\$47,639.02
				Savings	\$1,137.73
				5 CD's	\$51,939.01
				Total Balance	\$100,715.76

FUNDING REQUESTS

There were no staff requests for the month.

Friends received a request from Lucas Bomba for funds to replace a Little Free Library at the Crossings that has deteriorated. This is part of a BSA Eagle Scout

project. Friends voted to approve reimbursement for materials up to \$100.

Becky requested reimbursement for a new scale for weighing books sold on eBay, with an estimated cost of \$20. Friends approved the request.

WEBSITE, FACEBOOK, PUBLICITY AND LIBRARY E-NEWSLETTER

Mary reported that the Friends monthly meeting minutes have been posted to the website.

THRIFT BOOKS

Becky shared a report for October. We have sent a second pallet with non-fiction books remaining after the book sale. Since Thrift Books deducts fees for shipping and is selective about which books they try to sell, we have essentially broken even at this point, but should make some profits as materials from the second pallet begin to sell. As the Library hasn't been able to resolve the recycling issue yet, sending books to Thrift Books provides us with a way to recycle excess material for now.

END OF THE YEAR APPEAL

Letters will go out in early December and Becky is working on the letter. Several Friends offered to help with stuffing envelopes. A newsletter will be included.

COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS

There was some discussion of how Friends can help the Library staff with outreach efforts, such as dropping off newsletters at community organizations.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, December 13th in person at the Library at 6pm.

Meeting Minutes respectfully submitted by Mary Van Ullen, Secretary.