

FRIENDS OF THE W.K. SANFORD COLONIE TOWN LIBRARY

MEETING MINUTES

February 10, 2026

Attending

Tori Behrmann, Nicole Hoffman, Becky Klope, Ruth Lyons, Louise McColgin, Alissa Petsche, Mary Powers, Elliot Robins, Jennifer Soucy, Claudia Thornton, Elissa Valente, Rebecca Spath, Emily Berberich.

Library Report

Elissa gave the library report. The 50th Anniversary Committee is at work planning a gala to be held at the library to showcase the building. Went over 50th anniversary details that are new. For example, the tickets are up on the website and available! No minors, as this is a 21+ event. Anyone is still welcome to solicit for the silent auction. Please ask Jen if you plan to help so we don't have any crossover requests. The Gala will be on April 17th. The custom 50th blankets and items for the gala (that the friends purchased) will be sold at a table once the love your library event table is done. And finally the Lucky day books are going out and working great! More to come.

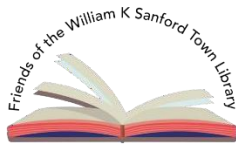
Treasurers Report

Ruth went over the budget report. The pop-up book sale pulled in \$488 which is fantastic work by our friends. More pop ups in the future.

The Friends did their self-audit, with Ruth, and volunteers Dave Ferril and Leslye Milos. Everything was perfect!

2026 Friends of the Library Budget Month of January

- Total Income: \$9,322.98
- Total Expenses: \$1,256.22
- Total Balance in Accounts: \$192,334.51



Requests

Request #1

Name: Tracy Sidoti

Funding Amount: \$6100

What is the funding for?

Students in Local Government lunch

Category: NA Date funding is required: asap

Request #2

Name: Jessica Kaercher

Funding Amount: \$56

What is the funding for? Mahjong 2026 playing cards

Category: Adult Programming

Date funding is required: Feb 15

Request #3

Name: Peggy Mello

Funding Amount: \$146.44

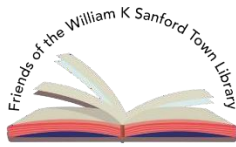
What is the funding for?

Lucky day book - March

Category: Collection

Date funding is required: ASAP

*All requests went to a vote and passed!



Website, Facebook, Publicity Newsletter

Tori is continuing to make graphics and post to try to boost interaction on the Facebook page. Looking into an Instagram account. For the newsletter we are looking into using Canva or another means to follow the library's need to meet accessibility requirements for visually impaired readers who use assistive technology. Winter newsletter will be out soon.

Comments/Questions

Spoke about the Meet and Greet Event that's February 22nd. Talked about how it would be beneficial to have sign-up sheets for different Friends activities they would be interested in. "Business cards" were also brought up to be able to hand out with all our contact info on it. Also an email intended for easy forwarding was sent out regarding the meet and greet. We hope for a great turn out!

Adjourned

This meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 10th at 6pm in the makers lab.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Tori Behrmann.