

**MONTHLY MEETING  
FRIENDS OF THE PAUL SAWYIER PUBLIC LIBRARY  
APRIL 8, 2024**

**PRESENT**

Board Members: Dudley Ellis, Chris Evans, Judy Goddard, Dantrea Hampton, Arba Kenner, Margie Moore, Leah Ritter, Julie Roney, Judy Stratton, Glenn Thomas, Russ Wright, and Charlene VanWinkle.

Others: Cloyd Stratton

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by President Arba Kenner in the Community Room. Roll taken by Secretary Charlene VanWinkle.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from the March 11, 2024, Friends Board meeting were sent to members prior to this meeting. Minutes approved.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Chris Evans presented the March 2024 treasurer's report (attachment #1.) A debit occurred for taxes; checks written for PSPL jackets and Book Sale workers. The CD at WesBanco will come due July 14, 2024.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

Dudley Ellis gave the membership report. He reported for March 2024 there were 84 new or renewed members. We have 550 members in good standing. Our database contains 1754 contacts. There were 21 renewal notices sent.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Julie Roney presented the March 2024 bookstore financial report (attachment #2). A \$100 donation received. The bookstore was open on the Friday of the sale week. The March 26 deposit included memberships sold on members-only night of the book sale. It was a great month for the store.

**BOOKSTORE AND BOOK SALE REPORT**

Judy Stratton reported the results of the March Book Sale (attachment #3.) It was a very good sale with totals higher than the sale in November. Several memberships were sold. The books remaining at the end of the sale were picked up by the same church as in the preceding sales. The next Book Sale is in August. Humpty T-shirts are for sale again in the store as are Derby books. Restocking occurs on a regular basis. Judy shared someone recently wanted to make a donation to the Friends in memory of someone. Arba Kenner will work on developing a form/process for making such a donation to the Friends and family acknowledgment.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Scholarship Committee - Judy Goddard, Chair, reported the scholarship application and scoring rubric are on the library and Friends websites; local schools have been informed.

Project Committee – Arba Kenner reported the committee received two funding proposals. 1. The library requested \$1250 for funding for 5 guest artists for the Jazz Festival. 2. The library requested \$5579 for a Photoshop System for documenting and sharing participation in library activities. The Friends Board accepted the committee's recommendations and approved funding for both proposals (attachment #4.)

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Glenn Thomas, Webmaster, was able to determine that the DNS hosting for the website is maintained by McAllen Inc. of Frankfort at a cost of approximately \$100/2 yrs., renewing on May 26, 2024. The website itself & email address ([info@psplfriends.org](mailto:info@psplfriends.org)) are donated by McAllen. Glenn will work with Cloyd to transfer the existing Brevo account to the official “info@” email address for future book sale email campaigns. In addition to the webmaster, the President of the Friends will also have access to the email account. The Square account has a separate email.

### **LIBRARY NEWS**

Youth Services Director Margie Moore reported so many library programs and activities in April and May extra pages were needed for the Biblio Bulletin. One Book One Frankfort is reading Jazz by Toni Morrison. Jazz Day is April 20 with an afternoon of music in the River Room; Youth Services will help children make instruments. The library now has a mobile kitchen, and the Kitchen a la Carte programming begins Thursday night with the “Beyond the Plate” series. The first two programs are for teens. A family cooking program is scheduled for every Tuesday afternoon in the summer. Several community groups are partnering with the library beginning in August for Kitchen a la Carte programs. There was a great Virtual Reality Program in March for various career paths from car maintenance to open heart surgery. Margie recently attended a regional library meeting and a conference in Columbus; in talks with other librarians, she, again, recognized the PSPL Friends go above and beyond. She thanked the Friends for their support of the library.

**NEXT MEETING** – The next meeting will be May 13, 2024, at 5 PM in the Community Room and via Zoom upon request.

**ADJOURNMENT** -The meeting was adjourned at 5:44 PM by President Kenner.

Submitted by Charlene VanWinkle, Secretary