

**MONTHLY MEETING**  
**FRIENDS OF THE PAUL SAWYIER PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**DECEMBER 9, 2024**

**PRESENT**

Board Members: Mary Lynn Collins, Dudley Ellis, Chris Evans, George Fowler, Judy Goddard, Dantrea Hampton, Arba Kenner, Judy Martin, Lori Macintire, Margie Moore, Leah Ritter, Julie Roney, Judy Stratton, Russ Wright, and Charlene VanWinkle.

Others: Cloyd Stratton and Kathy Goin

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 PM by President Arba Kenner in the Community Room. Roll taken by Charlene VanWinkle.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Chris Evans presented the November 2024 treasurer's report (attachment #1.) A debit occurred for taxes. Checks written for Book Sale workers, miscellaneous supplies, and chicken for the annual meeting. The CD will come due on February 15, 2025.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

Dudley Ellis gave the membership report. He reported for November 2024 there were 54 new or renewed members. We have 528 members in good standing. Our database contains 1854 contacts. A total of 32 renewal notices sent.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Julie Roney presented the November 2024 Bookstore financial report (attachment #2). The bookstore was open on Friday, November 22, during the Book Sale but closed on November 28 and 29 for Thanksgiving. A special donation was received in memory of Shirley Gail Price and Colette Caldwell made a donation; acknowledgements have been sent.

## **BOOKSTORE/BOOK SALE REPORT**

Judy Stratton reported results of the November Book Sale (attachment #3). It was a successful sale with anything remaining on Saturday being picked up by the usual local church. Credit card sales are increasing. Christmas books are now available for purchase.

Mary Lynn Collins reported that Janet Meyer has volunteered to sweep the bookstore on a regular basis. A new picture is now on display.

## **PR COMMITTEE**

Leah Ritter reported a sandwich board is on order; it will be displayed outside the store whenever it is open. The committee is working on a design for a banner to be placed in front of the building.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Staff Appreciation Gifts – Gift cards purchased. Board members wrote appreciation notes to include with the gift cards

## **LIBRARY NEWS**

Margie Moore, Youth Services Director, reported the staff does a great deal of planning during the weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas; programs for the Summer Reading Program are being set.

Mary Lynn Collins asked if the Friends Board would host the one-day 2025 annual meeting of the Kentucky Friends of Libraries in October. The Board approved hosting this event depending on availability of the River Room.

The Friends Board expressed appreciation to out-going President, Arba Kenner.

**NEXT MEETING** – The next meeting will be January 13, 2025, at 5 PM in the Community Room and via Zoom upon request.

**ADJOURNMENT** -The meeting was adjourned at 5:27 PM by President Kenner.

Submitted by Charlene VanWinkle, Secretary