

FRIENDS OF TUCKER FREE LIBRARY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Regular Meeting: October 28, 2023

ATTENDANCE:

Board Members: Naomi Praul, Gwen Airgood, Mary Corsetti, Sylvia Lennox,
Michelle McMurphy
Also Present: Lynn Piotrowicz – Library Director
Anne Crotti – Trustee Liaison

CALL TO ORDER: 8:08am

SECRETARY'S REPORT: “McMurphy” was misspelled and corrected
Minutes accepted with correction

TREASURER'S REPORT: Citizen's Account: \$8476.31 PayPal Account: \$210.70

- *Baby Changing Table
 - total cost for Koala Horizontal plus installation is about \$520
 - have \$390 in cash and check donations
 - Lynn will order and Friends will cover any remaining balance up to \$600

TRUSTEES REPORT: Meeting was Thursday, November 16, 2023 at 3:30pm

- *Programs increased from 60 in 2022 to 164 so far in 2023
- *Patron Participation increased from 532 in 2022 to 1488 so far in 2023
- *Meet and Greet with Town Personnel
 - Thursday, November 2, 2023 from 5:00-6:00pm
 - providing food and drink for about 25 people
 - Friends are invited and agreed to help provide food
- *Discussed changes to children's circulation desk and installing the changing station
 - Jim Airgood will begin working on the circulation desk in January
 - Jim will also install the changing station
- * Safety Measures
 - John Caputo will research costs for Narcan, a defibrillator, and Stop the Bleed kit

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- * Trustees support hiring another staff person
 - position would include community outreach, social media aspects, and the newsletter
 - would allow Lynn more uninterrupted time for desk work and to focus on the budget
- * Lynn working on rewriting job descriptions for all positions
- * Lynn is starting work on the 2024 budget

SUNDAYS AT THE LIBRARY:

- *variety of programs have been scheduled
 - Marek Bennett will talk about his newest book in January
 - Nattanan will talk about her trip to Thailand and will have a cooking demonstration
 - there will be a beginner's writing program
- *a fiber arts support group meets on Sunday afternoons

SATURDAY EVENING ACTIVITY EVENT:

*February 3, 2024 to tie in with Annual Meeting

- a corn-hole competition, bumper bowling in the stacks, cooking demonstrations
- maybe Lions would conduct a dyslexia screening for 3-4 year-olds

ANNUAL MEETING: February 3, 2024

* Slate of Officers: Chair: Naomi Praul
 Vice Chair: Sylvia Lennox
 Secretary: Michele McMurphy
 Treasurer: Gwen Airgood
 Past Chair: Mary Corsetti

NEXT FRIENDS MEETING: Saturday, December 9, 2023 at 8:30am in the library.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 9:20am