

February 7, 2022

Friends of the Arlington Library BOARD MEETING Minutes

Board Members Present: Kelly Fado, Jamie Krovontka, Maggie Colston, Halyna Hodges, Sharyn Meister, Marty Pippins, Rob Hizon, Sheila Leonard, Laura Porter, Claire Christian, Brittany Robertson, Jane Posner, Kate Summers, Judy Kindell

Others Present: Merri Horn, Pete Petruski

Meeting commenced at 7:01 pm

**MOTION: To approve Minutes from December 2021 meeting.
Instead of \$0.50 each for magazines, it should read \$1 for 2 magazines.
Kate Summers moved, Sharyn Meister seconded.
MOTION APPROVED unanimously.**

Brittany Robertson has decided not to join the Board, but would like to assist in future book sales, perhaps as an Assistant.

I BOOKSTORES

Thank you coupons have been successful and many “thank you” emails have been received from Members. A Coupon will go out with the next newsletter, and as a quarterly treat for members. Games and puzzles are selling well.

In January 2022, Central bookstore sold \$7,300 and all bookstores, in total, sold \$9,400.

**MOTION: To email quarterly coupons to members for use in a FOAL bookstore of their choice - one free book.
Kate Summers moved, Laura Porter seconded.
MOTION APPROVED unanimously.**

Also, 100 additional tote bags were ordered by Jane and are available for sale.

II TREASURER

No report.

III BOOK SALE

Originally scheduled for May 5-8, but that is Mothers’ Day weekend; dates will be moved back to April (garage to be used for Book Sale from April 25-May 4). Flat pricing will be maintained from the previous sale.

IV LIBRARY

Library is now at full staff, including the Maker Space. The Library would like to add more staff and increase some areas of the Collection. The budget approved in previous meetings by FOAL to help support branch bookstores has helped - Shirlington’s sales have increased significantly. Several new authors have been scheduled for Arlington Reads.

V BOARD

Executive Committee is in need of replacements beginning in June: Kelly Fado (President) and Jamie Krovontka (Secretary) are term-limited, and will roll off in June 2022. Additionally, Jane Posner will step down from Vice President.

Jane Posner will move from Vice-President to serve as Shirlington Branch liaison; Marty Pippins will move from Shirlington Branch liaison to Bookstore Manager.

VI OTHER

Halyna Hodges' holiday party at Columbia Pike was a huge success and the Library would like to plan another party: Dia de los Niños on April 30 to serve as a literacy event

MOTION: To spend up to \$1,500 for the Dia de los Niños party at Columbia Pike on April 30, 2022.

Since this party overlaps with the book sale, high school students looking for volunteer hours will be asked to help staff the event.

Kate Summers moved, Jamie Krovontka seconded.

MOTION APPROVED unanimously.

Pop-up sales may resume after the book sale, if adequate inventory remains.

Meeting adjourned at 8:14 pm.

March, 1, 2022 (via email)

MOTION: To spend \$600.00 at the request of Glencarlyn's Youth Services Librarian, Carol Smith, to fund the creation of a storytime collection.

A storytime collection is a professional collection of books used by staff members in library storytime programs; other library branches have these collections but Glencarlyn presently does not.

Laura Porter moved, Marty Pippins seconded.

MOTION APPROVED unanimously.