

Friends of the Chelsea District Library
Board Meeting Minutes
Sept 10, 2024

- (1) The meeting was called to order at 5:00 by Dayle Wright, president
- (2) Roll call: in attendance were Dayle Wright, Nancy Whitelaw, Lisa Climer, Nancy Neff, Jan Carr, Gary Zenz, Megan McCall, Library Director Lori Coryell, Sudha Myers, Jo Goodrich. Terri Bollinger was absent with prior notice.
- (3) Public comment-none
- (4) Jan moved that the agenda for today's meeting be approved, Gary seconded, motion passed unanimously.
- (5) Minutes of the August 13 meeting were reviewed. Gary moved that the minutes be approved, Lisa seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- (6) Director's report- see attached
- (7) Chair reports
 - Megan– Secretary-

Proposed a form to be circulated at the meeting for recording of volunteer hours for submission to Linda Ballard to save Linda time. Dayle will confirm with Linda exactly what she would like included and will consider it for the month of September.
 - Lisa- Communications-

PayPal payment-link to membership form has been fixed by Virginia.

Received an email from Marie Brooks regarding a book sale advertiser, consensus was Marie can delete those emails and attempt to unsubscribe from them.

Facebook posts on FoCDL page and Chelsea Resident in the Know when appropriate

 - 8/15 Little Free Library at Timbertown
 - 8/20 "Garage sale" items at book sale
 - 8/22 Little Free Library at Timbertown
 - 8/27 "The Perfect Shot" exhibit
 - 8/29 Membership
 - 9/3 & 5 Primo book price change
 - 9/9 Shared CDL's Jim Abbott movie event

- Nancy – Treasurer

Finances for Aug 2024

Year Expended – 66.67% Year Expended

Checking Account Balance as of 07/31/24 - \$7,750.43

Added New Income Budget Line – Charitable Trust Donation - \$15,200

New Income Total Line - \$37,500

Income for Aug 2024

Used Book Sale - \$1,029.59

Friendly Book Cart - \$367.00

Membership - \$9.31 - 1 Renewal

Interest Earned - \$63.06

Total Aug 2024 Income - \$1,468.96

YTD Income for 2024 received- \$31,672.18 of \$37,500.00 (84.46% of budget)

YTD Income for 2024 without donation- \$16,472.18 of \$22,300 (73.87 of Original Budget)

Expenses for Aug 2024

Endowment \$1,400.00 – 5% of 2023 income

Printing/Marketing – \$363.00 - \$250 Timber Town Picket Fence-\$113 UBS Banner

Refreshments - \$19.99 - Chocolate

Book Sale Supplies - \$143.82 – Dots, Paper Towel and Utility Cart

Total Expenses for Aug 2024 -\$1,926.81

YTD Expenses for 2024 spent - \$16,967.34 of \$27,000.00 (62.84% of budget)

Ending Checking Balance as of 08/31/24 - \$7,229.52

Circulation Desk - \$70.00

Business Savings Account - \$16,091.70

Total Cash on Hand 08/31/24 - \$23,391.22

A membership tracking sheet was shared, one change was suggested. This will be used during the membership drive in October.

- Membership Chair-

Dayle introduced Sudha Myers who has expressed an interest in becoming the membership chair. Sudha introduced herself and shared some background.

Megan made a motion that we appoint Sudha to be the Membership Chair, Nancy W. seconded, all were in favor.

Dayle received the membership information from Teresa and Jean Vargas and Gary have volunteered to help Sudha as needed.

Putting FoCDL banner in display case is typically done by the Membership chair. Lori has indicated the library staff will help. The banner is to go up Saturday Oct 19th.

- Jan-UBS Chair-

The UBS is still attempting to sell “garage sale” items from the library, including additional items that the children’s librarian has culled. The legos were discussed, Nancy W’s husband has assembled some “kits” to make specific items which may (or may not) increase the sales price.

The UBS banner is now up with the help of Dan Kaminisky.

- Gary-Past President-

Plans to freshen up the PowerPoint (PP) presentation of the Friends with some new photos from recent library events. The PP may be placed on the website and run at various events.

Shared the news that he will be retiring from his role on the Friends of CDL board after our next annual meeting.

- Nancy W. -President Elect

See earlier discussion of Legos.

- Dayle-President

Spoke with Cary Jones regarding doing a financial review for the Friends of CDL. He will meet with Nancy Neff and will not be charging for his services.

(8) Old business

- FoCDL table at Farmers Market

Terri has told Jan that she will do the cookies but is not able to be at the event. Lisa will help with set up and discuss use of the Square with Jan beforehand. She is arranging the books for giveaway. A sheet was circulated with volunteer time slots for people to sign up on.

- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between CDL and FoCDL

Megan moved that we approve the memorandum of understanding between CDL and FoCDL, Jan seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Dayle will sign.

(9) New Business

- Select Friend of the Year

One nomination was received; for Gary Zenz. Dayle read her nomination letter which spoke of Gary’s long history with the Friends and the Library and his recent

work on the history of the organization for the 75th Anniversary celebration as well as the Power Point presentation which will continue to share that institutional knowledge for years to come. Nancy W moved that we select Gary Zenz as Friend of the Year, Lisa seconded this and the motion passed unanimously (with Gary abstaining).

(10) Other

- Use of the gift from Oscar W. Haab Charitable Trust
The idea of providing \$5,000 this year to the Library toward the construction of Mobe's garage was discussed. Jan made a motion that we give the library \$5000 toward this purchase, Gary seconded the motion, it passed unanimously.

Consensus was that more information regarding the needs of the Library Garage (Object collection) including if iPads would be useful to patrons would be helpful prior to making decision for additional spending.

The library has plans for updating the library archival system and perhaps a portion of the trust monies may be needed toward that effort next.

- Board members provided their addresses to the President
- Next meeting-Oct. 8
- (11) Adjournment: Megan made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Lisa seconded, motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:25.

Minutes recorded by Megan McCall, Secretary

Director's Report for Friends September 2024 Meeting

Staff Announcements

Katie Hepler was recently hired as a part-time Marketing Assistant. Katie brings impressive marketing skills as well as many community connections to her new role.

CommUNITY Picnic & TimberTown Rebuild

CDL and the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce presented the second annual CommUNITY picnic on Saturday, August 10 at TimberTown. Volunteers from the park rebuild along with other folks interested in getting to know one another gathered over pizza and other treats to connect with each other. It was a very successful day with approximately 40 people participating.

I am proud of the many staffers who volunteered during the TimberTown rebuild. It is heartening to see our collective dedication to the community. And the park is FABULOUS!

Bench Donation

Carolyn McNagy, owner of Bumble's Dry Goods, is donating a beautiful Tree Bench from Cricket Forge to be placed under the library portico. This donation is in memory of Fritz Wagner, who she says was a kind and wonderful landlord. We will keep the board posted on any dedication ceremony down the line.

Walk to School Wednesday

It's that time of year! Walk to School Wednesday begins on September 11. Generous and early-rising staff and intrepid volunteers will walk students to South Meadows Elementary and Beach Middle Schools. The herds depart at 7:30am. If you are caffeinated and happen to be up with the birds some Wednesday, please consider joining us. We walk in all kinds of weather, but the company is good and it's a terrific ebay to start your day!

Jim Abbott

Legendary baseball pitcher Jim Abbott visits Chelsea, courtesy of CDL, on Wednesday, September 18. He will meet with Chelsea High freshmen in the afternoon. At 7pm, he will be onstage in the CHS auditorium with documentary filmmaker Mike Ramsdell for an engaging evening of dialogue, stories, and inspiration. This event is free and open to the public. Spread the word!

The Perfect Shot: Walter Ioose, Jr., and the Art of Sports Photography

This extraordinary exhibit of sports photography is on display in the McKune Room through October 20. It takes visitors through some of the most inspiring moments in sports history and highlights the craft and talent that transformed these moments into art. The exhibit features athletes as diverse as Muhammad Ali, Michael Jordan, Arnold Palmer, Tiger Woods, Serena Williams, and many more.

Be sure to access the digital recording of Martin Bandyke on your phone through the QR code provided at the start of the exhibit. He does an exceptional job of providing depth to the stunning photographs. A big thanks to our Friends for their support of this exhibit.

Song Fest 2024

Mark your calendars for Friday, October 18 for the annual CDL Song Fest. This year we are pleased to host a visit with Gary Louris of the legendary alt country band The Jayhawks. WEMU's Jeremy Baldwin of the Roots Music Project will interview Louris who will follow that with an acoustic performance. We are delighted to host this event at the Pasture Barn at Robin Hills Farm at 7pm. The event is free and first come, first seated. And thanks again to our Friends for making this event happen!

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