

Meeting Minutes: Friends of the Tewksbury Public Library Board

Date: Wednesday, May 1, 2024	Time: 7:00 PM	Location: Tewksbury Public Library meeting room
Attendees: MaryAnn Taylor, Janis Giles, Diane Giarrusso, Nicole Goolishian, Joanne Toppin, Doret Pool, Rose O'Neil, and Cathy Dwyer		

Agenda Items

Meeting Called to Order at 7:02 p.m. by President MaryAnn Taylor.

Prior Meeting Minutes:

- Motion to approve minutes by Janis Giles. Seconded by Doret Pool. Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Janis Giles

- Oakdale Wine Event took in \$840 in ticket sales. Still waiting for % of proceeds check from Oakdale.
- Cash boxes took in over \$1000 this month, including from Dinosaur in Children's Room.
- Operating income YTD **-\$1,200** as a result of spending grant monies received last year.
- Cash position is good and includes \$6,000 yet to spend for 100 People Who Care programs
- Motion to accept by Rose O'Neal. Seconded by Doret Pool. Approved.

Director's Report: Presented by Diane Giarrusso

- Library will be closed Sunday May 12, late opening Thursday May 16, early closing Friday May 24, closed May 25 through 27.
- Summer reading program will kick off on Friday June 14 and 15 with two events: afternoon in Livingston Park for families, evening at the library for adults on the next day. Rose O'Neal and Janis Giles volunteered for the Livingston event.
- Library is coordinating with the Rec Department to host Rec Department events. Chess Wizards afternoons and Chess Camp are scheduled.

Trustee's Report: Presented by Cathy Dwyer

- Chris Castiglione and Bonnie Paige were reelected. Bonnie is Chair, Julie Naughton is Vice President, Sue Pedersen is Clerk.

Old Business:

- Friends Donation thank you letter has been revised
 - Includes our nonprofit number and statement that no goods or services provided

- Friends will look into Venmo and QR codes this summer
- Our Annual Meeting took place on April 20. Diane Giarrusso and Nicholas Campbell made excellent presentations. The new Board is: Mary Ann Taylor, President; Liz Robinson, Vice President; Janis Giles, Treasurer; Nancy Cohen, Recording Secretary; Lauren Chappell, Corresponding Secretary.
- The Wine Tasting had a large increase in attendance and was very successful. Barbara Velat won the raffle prize of wine donated by Oakdale.
- Mac's Dairy will have a fundraiser for us on Wednesday May 15. Make sure to mention the Friends when you place your order.
- Book donation drive Saturday, May 11.
- Saturday, May 18 - Bake Sale in conjunction with Garden Club's Plant Sale (9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.).
 - Sign-up genius for baking is full.
 - Sign-up genius to volunteer to sell.
 - No permit is required, but vendors must follow Board of Health rules.
- Saturday, June 8 – Community Yard Sale
 - Have six who have expressed interest in procuring a table.
 - \$25.00 for a table. Friends members will receive \$5.00 back on day of event.
 - Kona Ice Cream Truck will be onsite.
 - TPD and a canine officer will be in attendance.
 - Will need volunteers to bake goods and sell Friends' merchandise.
- Bowling fundraiser at Wamesit Lanes is still in discussion mode. Mary Ann has been working with Wamesit on the details. Cost of ticket also includes pizza and soft drinks.

New Business:

- Wednesday May 15 (all day; 11:30 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.) – Mac's Dairy Farm mini dine-out. A percentage of the proceeds will be donated to the Friends. **MUST MENTION THE FRIENDS WHEN MAKING A PURCHASE!!!**
- Brothers Sports Bar – new business friend ; Griffin Greenhouses has renewed

Upcoming Events:

- Wednesday, May 15, 2024 (11:30 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.) – Mini dine-out at Mac’s Dairy Farm, 1863 Main St., Tewksbury
- Saturday, May 18, 2024 (9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.) – Bake Sale in conjunction with Garden Club Plant Sale
- Saturday, June 8, 2024 – Community Yard Sale
- Thursday, June 20, 2024 – Dine-out at Café Sicilia, 1300 Main St., Tewksbury

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Saturday, June 8, 2024 – Community Yard Sale. Need volunteers to bake goods and sell friends merchandise. Contact Friends of Tewksbury Public Library.

Motion to adjourn made by Rose O’Neal. Seconded by Cathy Dwyer. Passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Next meeting: Wednesday, June 6 at 7:00 p.m. at the library.

Submitted by Janis Giles, Treasurer