

# MEETING MINUTES

## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

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Date: January 21, 2026

Time: 2:00 pm

Meeting called to order by: Liz Winters

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### IN ATTENDANCE

Liz Winters, Ila Schnackel, Michele Smith-Link, Margaret Allen, Rebecca Rhoney, Amy Monti, Vonda Westcott, Sally Chausse

1. Chair Liz Winters called the meeting to order at 2:00
2. Secretary's Report- The November meeting minutes were approved.
3. Treasurer's Report – Reviewed and approved. The treasurer requested a motion to increase the decorating committee budget to \$200. A motion was made by Margaret, seconded by Vonda, and approved by a vote of the group.
4. Angelina: Angelina was not present at the meeting but provided the group with a supplemental budget proposal. She itemized the costs and requests for the popular programs that the Friends group has been supportive of. She made a request for \$2500.00 in supplemental funding from the group. A discussion followed, including how the group could best continue to support the programs at this level, fundraising ideas, how to provide the funds, and how the funds would be accounted for. Following the discussion, Amy made a motion to donate \$2500 directly to the library director, to help fund programs, passes, prizes, and community outreach, with the understanding that she would provide the Friends group with receipts for all related expenditures.  
The motion was seconded by Liz and approved of by a unanimous vote of the group.
5. Book Sale: The next book sale is scheduled for January 24<sup>th</sup>, with setup on Friday January 23. The sale will feature paperback and hardback fiction books, baskets, and mystery bags. (Note: due to bad weather the book sale was re-scheduled to Jan. 31) The next book sale will be February 14<sup>th</sup> with the theme "A Blind Date with a Book". The setup and sale time will be the same as the January sale.
6. Liz- Liz raised the question about continuing to look into getting tote bags with the Friends logo on them. Following a discussion the group decided not to investigate any further as they were not getting a good return on the purchase price of the totes.

She also asked for some clarification on the need to follow rules of order or create bylaws. After some discussion the group decided that we are a more informal group and this is not necessary. Any financial decisions related to expenditures will follow the procedure of a motion, seconded, and voted on by the group. She also would like to have the March Friends meeting in the evening to see if more parents might be able to attend at that time. This will be discussed further at the February meeting. She also continues to encourage members of the group to try and come up with fundraising ideas so that we can continue to support the many activities going on at the library.

7. Michele – Michele presented the group with information about a fundraiser that the Beautification committee is sponsoring. It will be a mini golf outing, and the Beautification committee is requesting local groups to sponsor a hole, where a sign will be placed recognizing the organization and possibly providing some information flyers. After a discussion, Amy made a motion to give the Beautification committee a \$50.00 donation to sponsor one hole. The motion was seconded by Vonda, voted on and approved by the group.

The next Friends of the Library meeting is on February 18 at 2:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 3:40.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rebecca Rhoney