

# FRIENDS OF THE GRAND ISLAND MEMORIAL LIBRARY

## MEETING MINUTES – APRIL 1, 2019

**Attendance:** M. Cook, B. Heintz, C. Joseph, N. Vizzi, M. Volpe, J. Banaszak, C. Senulis, L. Engl, T. Birtz, P. Galie

1. **Meeting** called to order at 6:37 P.M.

2. Welcome guests; Recognition/Thanks – None

3. **Approve Minutes** (as amended) from February 25, 2019, motion made by T. Birtz, seconded by M. Volpe. Minutes approved, as amended

4. **Correspondence:** B. Heintz thanked everyone for making recent book sale a success.

### 5. Reports:

a) **Treasurer:** N. Vizzi states that we have \$32,000 balance in treasury, including funds on the Fiscal year end cash report-see handout. Committee will put together a budget to be presented at the Annual Meeting.

b) **Membership:** Amy Boutet continues to work on updating the Life Membership List.

c) **Book Sorting:** Marie Volpe states it is going well. She is also thinking about “pop up” sales with left over boxes from the last book sale. Some organizations will take the boxes.

d) **Book Sale Room:** Carole Joseph reported sales are going well. Possible signage alerting people that the book sale room can be opened by Library Staff.

Pat Fabin stated she is interested in book sorting and book sales room.

6. **Report/Request:** Library Director-Bridgette Heintz handed out the Director’s Report, Friends Funding Proposals, Program Funding Proposals for Jan-May 2019; Grand Island events Calendar for Jan-May 2019, Grand Island Statistics Report 2017-2018 and article, “The Net Voice For America’s Libraries”. She asked members read reports.

7. **Library Trustee Report:** J. Banaszak reported on the ACT Meeting and the innovative things that Libraries are loaning out.

### 8. Old Business

a) **Used Book Sale** – made \$1,194.00

b) **Volunteer of the Year** - Committee of C. Joseph, M. Volpe and C. Senulis reviewed nominees and decided on the deserving volunteer

c) **By-Laws:** J. Banaszak handed out proposed changes to the By-Laws regarding meeting attendance.

d) **Re-Adopt Constitution** that was last updated in 1998. This will be voted on and approved at the annual meeting as well as a proposal to increase membership dues. Individual dues will rise from \$3.00 to \$5.00, Family Dues will rise from \$8.00 to \$10.00. No changes in Life Membership dues. We will publicize membership advantages and incentive gift for Life Memberships.

e) **Nominating Committee:** P. Galie and C. Senulis and L. Engl volunteered. Terms expiring in 2019 are President, Recording Secretary and three Board Members.

9a. **New Business;** Annual Meeting on May 9, 2019 with Lissa Marie Redmond, author of *The Murder Book*, will start at 6:00 P.M.

Set -Up – Carole Joseph

Speaker Honorarium - \$50.00, also include book and bag

Snacks: Nancy Vizzi, Charlotte Senulis and Liz Engl will coordinate food items

Beverages: Phyllis will coordinate beverage for meeting

Clean-Up: Mary Cooke and Marie Volpe will coordinate clean up after meeting ends.

**9b) Ongoing Business**

- a) Book Club – May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 includes presentation by Mellissa Brown, Executive Director of the Buffalo History Museum on the book The Electrifying Fall of Rainbow City: Spectacle & Assassination at the 1901 World’s Fair. Ms Brown will graciously accept a \$100.00 donation to the museum from the GI Memorial Library Friends group.
- b) Growing Readers Initiative received \$5000 from the Meat Raffle. Friends donated a basket for the basket raffle and assisted in the Meat Raffle event.
- c) Royal Oak Paper Retriever – nothing to report
- d) Next Meeting Dates- Annual Friends Meeting on May 9, 2019 at 6:00P.M.; Friends Meeting on September 9, 2019 at 6:30 P.M.

**10) Round Table – None**

**11) Adjourn:** motion made by Carol Joseph at 8:05 P.M. seconded by Trish Birtz. Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Trish Birtz