

**FRIENDS OF THE GRAND ISLAND MEMORIAL LIBRARY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES MARCH 29, 2021**

Present: Mary Cooke, Jill Banaszak Marie Volpe, Phyllis Galie, Bridgette Heintz
Charlotte Senulis

Call to Order: 4:30 PM by Mary Cooke

Approval Minutes of zoom meeting 9/9/20: Motion by Jill, second by Marie,
approved by all.

Board Vacancies: There are current and upcoming board vacancies, including
recording secretary and multiple board members. It was agreed that we should all
continue in present positions until elections can be held.

Reports:

- a. **Treasurer:** Checking account - \$3811.38 Money market - \$13,334.97
Donation from Amazon Smile - \$49.00
- b. **Membership:** No report
- c. **Book sorting:** Many donations have been received, quarantined and sorted.
- d. **Book sale room:** Hopefully the book sale room will be opening in the near
future with hours remaining as publicized prior to the 2020 closing.

New Business:

- a. **Bike raffle:** A motion was made by Phyllis and seconded by Marie to spend
up to \$300 on 2 bikes, 2 helmets and a toddler item (if needed) for the
summer program. All approved.
- b. **Volunteer of the year:** Marsha Mis has been suggested as volunteer of the
year. She has been very generous to the Friends for a number of years.
There were no other suggestions.
- c. **Annual meeting:** A motion was made by Phyllis and seconded by Jill to
postpone the annual meeting and elections until later in the year due to
pandemic related restrictions. All were in approval. One of the park
pavilions was suggested as a possible venue if the meeting room is
inappropriate
- d. **Dorothy Westhafer memorial tree:** Liz Engl and Rosemary Ryan are
working with the Friends to get a plaque secured to go with the tree for
Dorothy.

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Library Director Report:

- a. There continues to be increasing activity and use of the library.
- b. Carly Spater has been hired as the new Youth Services Librarian. She has already been involved with monthly raffles and scavenger hunts. Programming is expected to resume in the summer.
- c. Summer programming will kick-off on July 6th and end on August 13th. Programs will be held outdoors as much as possible.
- d. Battle of the Books will be held virtually. Marie and Bridgette are already working on it.

Library Trustees Report: Jill reported that the Trustees had a meeting in early March and work will begin on updating their by-laws. Any Friends board member who is interested in being a liaison to the Trustees is welcome to attend the next Trustees meeting on May 13th at 4:00 PM.

Ongoing Business:

- a. **Book Club:** Meetings have been by zoom but will be going outside to a pavilion as soon as weather permits.
- b. **Growing Readers:** Proceeds from meat raffles and donations have been sufficient to fund this program so far.
- c. **Roundtable:** Discussion centered on the next Donated Book Sale. Dates suggested are Thursday, August 12th from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM and Friday, August 13th from 12noon to 4:00 PM. Set up will be Thursday morning. We will again hold the sale outside under a tent and books will be set out in boxes with categories limited. It was also suggested that the sale be open to everyone.

Next meeting: Will be held on June 22nd at 6:00 PM

Adjournment: A motion was made by Jill and seconded by Marie to adjourn at 5:40 pm. All were in agreement.

Respectfully submitted: Charlotte Senulis

