FRIENDS OF THE VICTOR FARMINGTON LIBRARY

May 3, 2023 Members Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Marian Norton, Patty Bascomb, Kathy Jewsbury, Rebecca Donovan, Debbie Keeley, Connie Krauza, Gina Kaufer, Bob Kelly, Pat O'Leary, Katie Ferguson, Jess Pritchard, Corey Klein, Carol Thornton, Barbara Knickerbocker, Cassie Jones, Julie Brown, Maureen Krenzer, Barbara Giuliano

Call to order: President Patty Bascomb called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of April 5, 2023 Minutes: Gina Kaufer moved to approve the April 5, 2023 minutes. Corey Klein seconded, and the motion was carried.

Treasurer's Report: Marian Norton presented the report for the first month of the new fiscal year, noting the checkbook balance of \$21,368.02. Corey Klein moved to accept, Connie Krauza seconded, and the motion was carried.

Committee Reports:

- Cassie Jones reported that volunteers worked for 10 weeks collecting and sorting 6-7,000 books, then moved the sorted books to Eastview Mall. The 4-day Spring Book Sale took in a record \$7,161. Remaining books were distributed to Friends groups including Penfield, Pittsford, and Geneva, as well as to ReStore. We will continue to build these partnerships. Kudos to cochairs Cassie Jones and Katie Ferguson, and all those volunteers!
- Debbie Keeley reported 35 membership renewals and 3 new memberships since April 1st, including several using the new link on the Friends webpage.

Old Business:

- Patty Bascomb reported that SignUp Genius links will be created for Farmers Market, Tacos Trails & Ales, and Concerts in the Park. The Friends will staff a table providing information about the Library and giving away free books. Participation will be dependent on signups.
- We will not be decorating the Circulation Desk in June, July, or August during sponsored Summer Programs. Volunteers are still needed for September.
- Volunteers are still needed for Bridge Luncheons. It is unclear whether full luncheons will
 continue during the summer. Jess Pritchard will follow up and confirm.
- Patty reported that the Friends have committed up to \$5,000 in matching funds for new or increased donations resulting from the Library's annual appeal and received by June 30th. The Friends will also be providing funds for Summer Programs.

New Business:

- Patty encouraged members to bring new ideas well in advance, allowing time for research, reporting, and voting by the membership.
- Patty reported that 160 School St is no longer available, and we are looking for new space.
- Open discussion included selling Friends tote bags at Farmers Markets, a teen Friends committee, and creating a Membership display with a QR code to the Friends webpage.

Next Members Meeting: June 7, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Library Large Print Area

Meeting adjourned by President Patty Bascomb at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Rebecca Donovan, Secretary