

# **Friends of Jacob Edwards Library**

**October 16, 2023**

Members present: Andrea, Beth, Caroline, Bernadette, Margaret

Slate of officers was presented and unanimously approved.

President: Caroline McKinley

Vice President: Andrea Powers

Secretary: Kathy Van Camp

Treasurer: Barbara Day

Secretary's minutes from 9/17/23 were reviewed and approved.

Cornerstone Bank Fair: Very rainy! Sales were low. Recommendation was made specifying not participating in it again.

Book Sale is still set for the Spring. Depending on the success, a fall one might be organized. We will continue to accept donations year round.

10/23 1:00 p.m. Book Sort

11/13 2:00 p.m. Meeting

11/20 1:00 p.m. Set up table for Holiday sale; book sort

Fundraising suggestions:

Silent auction with books signed by authors

Holiday lap quilt raffle (12/24) Quilt to be donated by Kathy

Margaret: 1. Chess park has been approved by the Trustees. She will meet with the town manager to get permission to fund raise. Chess club has seen an uptick in participation.

2. Debbie Gendreau left after 7 years of being employed by the library. Sam is the new contact person for scheduling rooms.

3. Margaret made a request that a member of the Friends go to the next Trustee Meeting. Beth volunteered.

4. Upcoming events:

Hamilton Woolen Mills speaker Dr Fava Thomas - request approved to give the speaker \$100.00.

Dr. Mark Wagner (Boston Globe with roots locally) will give a presentation on 11/30 on Native Links. A request for a stipend of \$100.00 was approved.

Winter Concert will be held on 12/7. Students from Southbridge Middle High will perform. A request for a stipend of \$100.00 was approved. Packets with cookies and candy canes will be given to the students.

3/28/2024 Eclipse Presentation at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Van Camp