



November 7, 2024

**Meeting was called to order by Marcia Rieder, President.**

**In attendance:**

**Officers:** Marcia Rieder, Carol Bryner

**BOD:** Kathy Gephart, Ruthie Smith, Cynthia Dare, Lola Hudson

**Library Staff:** Cara Woods

**Members:** Marcia Duncan, Mitch Ashby, Linda Billups

**Guest:**

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from October 3, 2024, were read and approved. 1<sup>st</sup>. Ruthie Smith; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Kathy /Gephart

**Treasurer's Report:** Darlene Bates, was absent. Marcia Rieder presented the Treasurer's Report prepared by Darlene Bates.

<b>Receipts</b>	<b>\$106.17</b>
Donations for books	\$101.17
New memberships	\$5.00
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>\$125.73</b>
Marcia Duncan, Love Local Mkt/Fall Festival supplies	\$125.73
Treasurer's Report was approved by 1 <sup>st</sup> . Kathy Gephart; 2 <sup>nd</sup> . Marcia Duncan	

**President's Report: Marcia Rieder:**

**OVUC:** Marcia Reider attended the OVUC board meeting in October. The Friends have been approved for the \$5000. grant as long as we are able to present the final paper work by December 1, 2024. There will not be a special grant given out this year as there is not sufficient funding.

The Friends emailed to all our members the news release "\$199,200.00 awarded by Ohio Valley United Charites, Inc. to area charities" and the listing of "2025 Grants Awarded by Ohio Valley United Charities".

Next OVUC board meeting will be January 14, 2025.

**KY State Friends of the Library:**

Marcia Rieder, Carol Bryner, and Regina Morgan attended in October the Kentucky State Friends of the Library meeting. Arriving late due to highway construction, we were able to attend the second roundtable discussion and provide Story Walk information, had a nice lunch and visited with many different county Friends before we headed home with more construction on the highway.

**Library Updates:** Cara Woods advised that 1,600 attended the Love Local/Fall Festival. The Friends volunteered at the balloon ride, the entrance table, and costume judging. The Friends also had a table set up for playing games (tic tac toe and ball in a bucket) and giving out healthy snacks. Marcia Duncan, Marcia Rieder,

Kathy Hofmeyer, Ian DeGeeter, Kim Stapperfenne, Linda Billups, Mitch Asby, Jeanne Morgan and Terri Cummings were our volunteers.

#### **Committee Reports: 2024 Committee Updates**

- **Friends' Archives, Publicity, and Public Relations** – Cynthia reported no activity.
- **Financial - Darlene Bates** reported by Marcia Rieder that the checkbook and bank statement balanced.
- **Membership - Kathy Gephart** reported that no new members as the year end gets closer.
- **Events – Marcia Duncan reported:** Fun time was had by all at the Fall Festival. The Friends will give out cups with cocoa mix at the Winter Blast, December 14, 2024. A volunteer sheet was passed around for assistance.

#### **Old Business:**

##### **The following Officers and Board Members were approved by all in attendance (10)**

Marcia Rieder, President; Carol Bryner, Secretary; and Darlene Bates as Treasury for a 2-year term.

Ruthie Smith for 2-year term as Vice President.

Terrie Cummings 2-year term as a board member.

Mitch Ashby 2-year term as a board member.

There will an installation program at the January meeting.

##### **Holiday Hat Tree Update**

**The Giving Tree with a collection box** has been set up at the library ready to accept hats, mittens or gloves to be donated to Eminence Independent School Family Resource Center and Henry County Schools Family Resource Centers. Donations will be accepted November 1<sup>st</sup>. – December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Ruthie Smith will check on donated items and hang them on the tree.

#### **New Business:** A last minute's request was made by Cara Woods to give \$300. to Suzanne

Banta for books for Santa to give out at the December 14, 2024, Breakfast with Santa. All members in attendance approved this motion. The required Funding Proposal was filled out at the meeting.

All in attendance also approved to give \$150. - \$200 for Marcia Duncan to spend on appreciation gifts for the library staff. She will also need money for the Winter Blast handouts (probably about \$150.00).

**Upcoming Events:** December 14, 2024 Winter Blast 10 –2; Breakfast with Santa 9 - 10

**Announcements:** A calendar of library activities may be picked up at the library front desk.

**Next Meeting:** December 5, 2024, 3 pm at the library. Those volunteering will meet prior to the meeting at 2 p.m. to stuff cups with hot cocoa mix to be given out at the Winter Blast.

**Adjourned:** Marcia called for the meeting to adjourn.

Carol Bryner, Secretary