



May 1, 2025

Meeting was called to order by Marcia Rieder, President.

In attendance:

Officers: Marcia Rieder, Carol Bryner, Darlene Bates, Ruthie Smith

BOD: Kathy Gephart, Mitch Ashby, Lola Hudson

Library Staff: Tony Jones

Members: Linda Billups, Marcia Duncan

Guest: Steve Metcalf, Member of the Board of Trustees of the Henry County Public Library

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from April 3, 2025, meeting were read and approved. 1st, Ruthie Smith; 2nd Lola Hudson

Installation of Officers and Board of Directors: Terri Cummings was absent and will be installed at an upcoming meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Darlene Bates

Receipts	\$181.63
Donations for books during April	76.63
Donations	60.00
Membership	45.00
Expenditures	91.40
Friends of Ky. Libraries Inc. 2025 Membership	25.00
Kathie Gephart supplies for staff lunch	6.40
Henry County Chamber membership	60.00

Treasurer's report approved by 1st, Ruthie Smith; 2nd, Marcia Duncan

President's Report: Marcia Rieder

OVUC: The meeting April 30, 2025, was canceled and rescheduled for May 7, 2025. Grant application has been received and is now in the process of being completed to send to OVUC by May 30, 2025.

KY State Friends of the Library: The FHCPL is applying for the \$500. Chapter grant offered by the Ky. State Friends of the Library. Our "Meet Friends with Friends" grant application is ready to be submitted. The FRIENDS OF Kentucky Libraries (FOKL) annual meeting will be held Saturday, October 18, 2025, at the Paul Sawyer Public Library in Frankfort.

The event is a fun day, including idea sharing sessions, lunch, awards and guest speaker. Also, the opportunities for members to enjoy a visit to the Capitol, KDLA, or take a Rebessa Ruth candy-making tour will be available. More information will be coming.

Library Updates: Tony Jones

111 attended the Preschool Prom. Marcia Rieder and Carol Bryner served refreshments. Tony is working with another issue in the parking lot. Steve Metcalf and Guy Prewitt are working on a large Light Brite. Steve Metcalf asked if the Friends would be willing to pay for some pegs for the Light Bright. He will submit a funding proposal.

Committee Reports:

- **Friends' Archives, Publicity and Public Relations – Cynthia Dare.** No report.
- **Financial - Darlene Bates** advised that the checkbook and bank statement balanced.
- **Membership - Kathy Gephart advised that** there are a total of 32 Lifetime members. This year was a successful membership drive.
- **Events – Marcia Duncan** and Mitch Ashby are going to set up a booth at the Love Local Market on May 9, 2025.

Old Business:

- Board of Trustees Meeting – Marcia Rieder and Carol Bryner attended the April Board of Trustee open meeting. The next meeting will be May 15, 2025, 5 p.m.
- Preschool Prom was a success and plans are in the works to have another prom next year.

New Business: Cara Woods and Jaden Noel submitted a funding proposal asking the Friends to donate 1-2 gift baskets for the Adult Summer Learning prizes. The objectives were review and the FHCL library agreed to spend \$50.00. on (1) gift basket. Marcia Duncan volunteered to make the basket the Friends will donate.

Lola Hudson suggested we may want to consider a fundraising activity such as was held for the Henry County Arts & Craft Guild whereby proceeds from a day's sales were split between the family of the donor and the Guild. The Guild will then support scholarships and classes at the art gallery. It was decided we would table this idea for now but may revisit it in the future.

Upcoming Events: Love Local Market - May 9, 2025, 6-9 p.m. and June 13, 2025. 6-9 p.m.

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

Membership forms for 2025 are available at the Friends' book shelves and at the front desk.

Next Meeting: June 5, 2025, 3 pm, at the library.

Adjourned: Marcia called for the meeting to adjourn. 1st, Lola Hudson; 2nd, Linda Billups

Carol Bryner, Secretary