

MONTHLY MINUTES
FRIENDS OF THE PAUL SAWYIER PUBLIC LIBRARY
April 14, 2025

PRESENT

Board members: Dudley Ellis, Mary Lynn Collins, Chris Evans, George Fowler, Dantrea Hampton, Judy Goddard, Kathy Goin, Arba Kenner, Judy Martin, Leah Ritter, Julie Roney, Cheryl Sandefur, Cloyd Stratton, Judy Stratton, Glenn Thomas, Charlene VanWinkle, and Russ Wright.

The meeting was called to order at 5:11 p.m. by Dudley Ellis, President, at Capital Day School. Roll taken by Cheryl Sandefur.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the March 10, 2025 Friends board meeting were sent to members prior to this meeting. Arba Kenner made a motion to accept the minutes. Judy Goddard seconded the motion. The motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Chris Evans presented the April 2025 treasurer's report (attachment #1).

- We are still waiting for the cost of the books purchased from the KY book sale. Mary Lynn Collins will check into getting that cost.
- We have awarded two grants for continuing education to PSPL employees.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Cloyd Stratton gave the membership report. He reported there were 47 new or renewed members added for March 2025. We have 524 members in good standing. Our database contains 1901 records.

BOOKSTORE FINANCIAL REPORT

Julie Roney presented the March 2025 Bookstore financial report (attachment #2). We received a \$100 special benefactor membership donation from Henry D. Mills in March.

BOOKSTORE /BOOK SALE UPDATE

Judy Stratton reported we had strong sales during the March book sale. (attachment #3). Timing was a blessing as our inventory was much lower than normal before the flooding. There were two credit card sales from the store not shown in Square. We believe the customer walked off with the materials without purchasing them during the confusion of the sale due to having one Square device used for both the bookstore and the book sale. Mary Lynn Collins will look into the cost(s) of having two Square devices.

Megan Pickett (reference librarian) helped Shane Smith box up approximately 20 boxes of books for the jail.

OLD BUSINESS

- Arba Kenner announced two grants awarded to PSPL employees. Recipients are Margie Moore and Harry Wagner.

NEW BUSINESS

Flooding

- We lost everything not moved out of the garage before the April flood. We had lots of community volunteers who helped move books. A recognition of help and thanks will be acknowledged on our website and Facebook page.
- [Jean Ruark](#) let us know that the library will utilize the services of ServPro for clean up at the library. No volunteers needed due to liability issues. The library will be closed until electricity and elevator service can be restored.
- The only employee personally affected by the flood is Jean Ruark. [Cheryl Sandefur](#) to provide an address where members can send donations to Jean personally.

Scholarship Committee:

- Judy Goddard announced the current community scholarship deadline for graduating seniors is April 23rd. The deadline will be pushed out until April 30th to help with those who may have been affected by the flood.

A brick will be purchased in honor of Tom Knight's service to PSPL and the Friends of PSPL. He recently passed away.

Public Relations Committee:

Leah and Lori had coffee with Susy Hosley of Downtown Frankfort Inc. to talk. Leah also reported the sign on the front of the library brought people into the book sale. The sandwich sign has also drawn people to the bookstore.

No reports from the Historical Marker; Project Proposal; Government Affairs committees.

LIBRARY NEWS

No library news reported.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be May 12, 2025 at 5 PM in the Community Room and via Zoom upon request.

ADJOURNMENT

Russ Wright made a motion to adjourn the meeting. George Fowler seconded the motion. The motion was carried. President Ellis adjourned the meeting at 5:57 PM.

Submitted by Cheryl Sandefur