

SEPTEMBER MONTHLY MINUTES
FRIENDS OF THE PAUL SAWYIER PUBLIC LIBRARY
SEPTEMBER 14, 2026

PRESENT

Board members: Tracie Ballou, Kathy Bryan, Mary Lynn Collins, Dudley Ellis, Chris Evans, George Fowler, Kathy Goin, Lynne Hoelkinger, Arba Kenner, Judy Martin, Lori MacIntire, Margie Moore, Julie Roney, Cheryl Sandefur, Cloyd Stratton, Judy Stratton, Charlene VanWinkle, and Russ Wright.

Guest: Glenn Thomas

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by Dudley Ellis, President, in the Community Room. Roll taken by Cheryl Sandefur.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the August 10, 2026 Friends board meeting were sent to members prior to this meeting. Kathy Bryan made a motion to accept the August minutes, George Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

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

- Taxes were paid on August 7th.
- Monies were paid for the book sale workers on August 10th.
- Glenn Thomas was reimbursed for the payment to McAllen Solutions on August 11th.
- Payment was made on August 18th for the staff summer reading program prizes.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Cloyd Stratton gave the membership report.

- 72 new/renewal memberships
- Our database contains 2,138 total members.
- We have 494 members in good standing

BOOK STORE FINANCIAL REPORT

Julie Roney sent the August financial report which showed a strong month in sales including the sales from the August book sale.

BOOK STORE /BOOK SALE UPDATE

- Judy Stratton presented the August book sale report. Sales were a little less than the sale in March but still good.
- A book donation was made to Isaiah House in Harrodsburg after the book sale.
- Good Will picked up the remaining books.
- The book store continues to restock as needed.

OLD BUSINESS

- Charlene VanWinkle's dedication and service to the Friends of PSPL Board was recognized. She will be resigning her seat on the Board at the end of this year but is hopeful to return in the future.
- An amendment to the by-laws was suggested by Arba Kenner in response to the nominating committee's problems to fill the full slate of officer positions for nominations. The amendment is:
 - 1st: Change all references of corporation to now read organization.
 - 2nd: remove all wording after January 1 from the first paragraph under section IV.
 - Under section VI, second paragraph change the number of members for the nominating committee from 5 to 3.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mary Lynn Collins was recognized for her continued commitment and service to the library and our community as a whole.
- The October board meeting will be followed by our annual pot luck meal. The board will purchase the chicken for the meal.
- Mary Lynn Collins and the library are planning a tribute to Wendell Berry with people reading his work on September 28th. Friends have been asked to help provide refreshments. Mary Lynn asked for volunteers to provide cookies or other simple foods easy to serve.

- The State Friends of the Libraries will have their annual meeting in October at the Casey County Library.

No reports from the Historical Marker, Public Relations, or Government Affairs committees.

LIBRARY NEWS

Margie Moore reported that the new carts have arrived and are being used. The 20th anniversary of the new building is November 5, 2026. The library will host a reception on November 3rd at 5:00 p.m. with the Paul Brock band performing at 6:00 p.m. There will be a photo display and giveaways during the month of November. Any financial support the Friends would like to share for the catering of the event would be welcomed.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be October 12, 2026 at 5 PM in the Community Room and via Zoom upon request.

ADJOURNMENT

Tracie Ballou made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Arba Kenner seconded the motion. The motion was carried. President Ellis adjourned the meeting at 5:57 PM.

Submitted by Cheryl Sandefur