

**FRIENDS OF THE BRADEN RIVER LIBRARY  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
February 18, 2022**

President Judy Mullen called the meeting to order at 4:31.

**Those attending were:** Judy Mullen, Cathy Laird, Linda Rado, Gene Rado, Bill Hager, Sharry Lueck, Sue Capparella, Mary Frueh, Mel Mandelkorn & Shelli Bentley. Attending through zoom were Bernice Jones and Eirinn Camphire. Neela Chari and Reva Gandhi were unable to attend.

**1. Approval of minutes:** Minutes from the November 19, 2001 meeting were posted online and were unanimously approved as written.

**2. Treasurer's Report - Bill Hager:** Board members payment of dues required in Bylaws by February 19<sup>th</sup>. Current checking account balance: \$23, 947.79                      1 CD - \$7,113.40.

Treasurer's Report was approved unanimously.

Judy thanked Bill for his years of faithful service as Treasurer.

**3. Old Business:**

- a. Rescheduled art class from before Covid. Funds were previously approved and scheduled, Judy reaffirmed that Friends would fund it. (see attached request for funds).
- b. Giving Challenge: Paperwork almost completed – runs from noon on April 26<sup>th</sup> to noon on April 27<sup>th</sup>. Money pledged will be doubled. Needed – someone to take charge of organizing the fund drive. Sharry will confer with Judy on this.

**4. New Business:**

- a. Restorative Yoga Class – Sharry moved to fund \$120 for the 3-week class and Mel seconded the motion. (see attached proposal) Motion passed unanimously.
- b. January Book Sale: Book sale income - \$3,110.25      Membership fees & renewals: \$400 (amount is included in the checking account) this was expected with covid keeping people away. The number of people coming through the sale including the 32 volunteers was 603. A big thank you to Sue Capparella for organizing the sale and to the volunteers who helped. Cathy Laird said library hours could be expanded as soon as April so we could extend our hours for the sale if we wanted. New hours: Monday-Thursday: 9am to 8pm and Friday & Saturday: 9am-6pm.
- c. An ongoing book sale cart using the honor system was introduced by Shelli. The cart would have a locked box attached with a suggested donation price for the items. Everyone seemed in favor of this and Judy will check with branches who are currently doing this.
- d. New board members were welcomed. The following officers were nominated, seconded and unanimously voted in: Treasurer – Gene Rado will take over Bill Hager's job. New Social Media position: Shelli Bentley      New board member: Neela Chari

**Current officers:**

President: Judy Mullen	Vice President: Vacant	Treasurer: Gene Rado
Secretary: Sharry Lueck	Programs: Bernice Jones	Social Media: Shelli Bentley

- e. Thanks to Bernice for the successful holiday program & the Asolo program which was at capacity. The next program Life in the Circus is on March 26<sup>th</sup>. Ranger Dan Stephens from De Soto National Memorial will talk about Hernando De Soto on April 27<sup>th</sup>. Contact Bernice if you would like to host upcoming programs.

- f. Newsletter: this has been postponed – looking for a volunteer.
- g. Molly requested \$200 for the teen summer reading program for maker space craft supplies and board games. Gene moved to grant the request with Mel seconding the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- h. Children's Summer Reading program: We received a request for \$1,945 to pay the presenters of the eight programs that will be presented. Gene moved to give them \$2,200 and Sharry seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. This year's theme is Oceans of Possibilities with emphasis on the ocean.
- i. Gene moved that President Judy could authorize up to \$300 without a board meeting but would report on money spent at the next board meeting – Mel seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- j. Nick Hauser programs have been offered to the library - \$45 a program. Several board members have been to his programs and said they are very good. Librarians will go ahead and schedule selected programs.
- k. Judy is looking to fill the Vice President position & a corresponding secretary to do the newsletter. Shelli is interested in helping.
6. Librarian's reports:
- a. The large counter in the workroom has been completely replaced. The smaller counter needing repair was not done.
  - b. The digital sign outside is now on line. Staff training should start possibly next week. The staff will then be able to type information on the computer with it showing on the sign,
7. Next Board meeting dates: **May 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:30    August 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:30    November 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:30**
8. Comments & concerns from the Board: None
9. Issues for next meeting:
- a. Additional Officers: Vice President, Corresponding Secretary
  - b. Bylaw changes:
  - c. Insurance for Board members
  - d. Ongoing book sale
10. Dates of next programs:
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| Saturday, February 19 <sup>th</sup> | 11:00 – 1:00  | <i>What's it Worth</i> – appraisal program with Mike Ivankovich  |
| Saturday, March 26 <sup>th</sup>    | 11:00 – 12:00 | <i>Life in the Circus</i> with Aaron Watkins   |
| Wednesday, April 27 <sup>th</sup>   | 11:00 – 12:00 | <i>Hernando De Soto: His Life &amp; Expedition to Manatee, FL</i><br>presented by Ranger Dan Stephens of De Soto National Memorial |

The meeting was adjourned at 5:32.  
Next meeting May 20<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully Submitted  
Sharry Lueck, Secretary