

**Friends of Union County Library
Annual Meeting
November 15, 2023**

Members present: Jackie Volk (via telephone); Ken Arrington; Judy Baldwin; Marlene Cannon, Branch Manager; Karen Cassity; Debra Davis, Arlene Gray; Barbara Hale; Pam Ippolito; Kathy Lawrence; Jackie Millstone; Connie Rosenberry; Debora Quigley; Sally Woodworth;

Meeting called to order by Judy Baldwin at 1:08 p.m.

Judy welcomed everyone to the meeting and distributed an obituary of long-time member, Shirley Brackett, who passed away on Sunday, September 10, 2023. Shirley was a native of Blairsville and supporter of FOUCL for many years.

Minutes of the October 18, 2023 meeting were presented. Motion made by Kathy Lawrence, seconded by Debora Quigley to correct the minutes to indicate a new computer and software were purchased by FOUCL and a printer was donated by Robert Harford. Minutes approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report - Debora Quigley (see attached for detail)

Debra reported an increase of \$3,399.55 since July .

Librarian's Report – Marlene Cannon

Reviewed programs and reported that due to increased attendance, the summer reading program was split into two sessions. Budget request to increase \$800 for next year.

FOUCL contributed \$3,800 this year and budget request is \$4,100 for next year.

Would like to have outside guest speaker/author once each quarter.

Debra Davis moved to increase FOUCL funding for the library, second by Karen. Motion passed unanimously.

Officers – 2024

Judy Baldwin outlined the proposal made by the Board of Directors regarding the succession of officers for 2024 and the slate.

Connie moved to accept the plan. Arlene seconded the motion. Motion passed. This plan will be voted on at the regular quarterly meeting on January 17, 2024.

Information will be included in the quarterly newsletter.

Committee Reports

Membership – Sally reported we have 121 members, that includes 17 new members

Newsletter – Connie reported the quarterly newsletter will include information of proposed interim leadership changes and committee assignments as well as general information of interest to FOUCL members.

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Website – No Report – Webmaster absent

Program – No Report

Old Business –

Debora Quigley

Debora reported revenues from the Everything Christmas sale were \$2,766.62. Included in that amount was \$970 in raffle tickets for the beautiful quilt donated by Pam Ippolito.

Christmas Luncheon – Sally reported that 16 people have signed up so far for the Luncheon to be held at Vincent's Coppertop Restaurant on December 1 at 11:30 a.m.

New Business

Christmas gift for staff

Motion by Pam, seconded by Sally to give each of the Library's seven staff members a \$25 gift card for Christmas. Debora moved and Karen seconded a motion that the cards would be from Aldi. Both motions passed.

Christmas Book distribution-

At the December 18 storytime, each family will receive a book from FOUCL.

Membership Mailout – Sally is handling membership mailout on January 10 at 10 a.m. and is looking for 5 volunteers. Marlene suggested to have membership information linked to the website and handle online renewals and new memberships. This is under review

Adjournment

There being no further business, Connie moved and Arlene seconded the motion to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:54 p.m. and all members and guests are welcome to attend the January 17, 2024 meeting to be held in the Community Room of the Union County Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline Millstone

Secretary

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