Friends of the Angie W Cox Library

January 8, 2024

The meeting was called to order by President Tom Romaniak at 5:30 PM. Present were Tina McElroy, Tina Iyama-Kurtycz, Karla Walker, Avery Ward, Laura Hyke, Joan Foster, Brenda Miller, Kristina McGuire, Jane Bartels, Ginny McNeal, Mitzi Manthey, Troy Becker, Dani Schill and Cheryl Neef. There were no guests.

**Treasurer’s Report:** December and January income from Marketplace was $110.42 with an expense of $700 for the Christmas gift to the library for books. This leaves a balance of $5449.84.

**Membership Report:** There is a slow increase in membership. Troy is thinking of ways to increase it in the new year. Several ideas were discussed.

**Secretary’s Report:** It was emailed to all members. There were no corrections. It was approved as read.

**Library Report:** ACW hosted a Book/Repair workshop with 23 attendees. 50 cat toys were constructed and donated to Latoya’s Legacy. There were 46 attendees for the Yoga classes in the month of December. The Chunky Yarn wreath class was very well attended. The library was closed on December 25th and 26th.

**Old Business:** **44 books were given away** during the month of December. There are left over books to be used at some future date. We were pleased with the giveaway results. The **staff of the library** was pleased with the opportunity to choose books that interested them for the library shelves. Each staff member chose books from different genres. They each introduced us to their choices and commented that it was great fun for them. The **chair/saw project** is on hold due to school class schedules.

**New Business:** It was decided to keep the **membership dues** low to attract more new members. Individual $5.00, Family $10, Business $25, Lifetime Individual $50 and Lifetime Family $75. The **By-Laws were updated** with small word changes. “Friends of the Angie Williams Cox Public Library” instead of “Friends of the Angie Williams Cox Library”. The removal of the word “of” in “to encourage and support of the Angie Williams Cox Library”. The **Wish List** from the staff was tabled to give the staff more time to think.

**Library Board Update:** There was discussion on a suggestion by Kristina to create a “Maker’s Area” in the basement using donated funds once the meals had moved to the new Senior Center.

There was **no report** from the **County Library Board or the Endowment Board.**

**The next meeting will be February 12th, 2024 at 5:30 PM**.