

Friends of the Chelsea District Library

Minutes of the Meeting: December 7, 2019

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:05 pm
2. **Roll Call:** Gary Zenz, Jan Carr, Michele Mullens, Nancy Neff, Suzanne Morrison
Absent with notice: Sue Skiendziel
3. There was no public comment.
4. The agenda for the meeting was accepted.
5. The Minutes of the November 14, 2019 meeting were approved.
6. The Library Director's Report was read by Gary Zenz, and it is attached to these Minutes.
7. **Chair Reports:**
 - a. Sue Skiendziel, Secretary Report - Absent
 - b. Nancy Neff, Treasurer, presented the financial reports for November.
 - c. Jan Carr, Used Book Sale Manager reported that a new Square chip reader was purchased for the Book Sale iPad. The basement ramp still requires painting.
8. **Old Business:**
 - a. Gary noted some changes to the Work Plan.
 - b. Approval of the updated Bylaws. Motion by Jan, second by Michele to approve the Friends of the Chelsea District Library Bylaws as amended December 2019. Unanimously approved. The Bylaws will be moved for approval by the membership at the Annual Meeting January 25, 2020.
 - c. The Board reviewed and approved the Agenda for the January 25, 2020 Annual Meeting.
 - d. Gary reported that the Winter Newsletter will announce the is opening of the Secretary position which will be open in January.
9. There was no new business.
10. The meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm.

Director's Report to Friends – December 7, 2019

We are once again hosting the Artful Aging exhibition there throughout the month of December in conjunction with the United Methodist Retirement Communities (UMRC) Foundation. The exhibit showcases works including paintings, drawings, and pottery created by residents of UMRC's Chelsea Retirement Community.

We are also collecting teen health and hygiene products in the lobby for homeless teens in our community in partnership with Faith in Action and Ozone House.

Project Chelsea is displaying local artwork from December 2 – 12 to raise funds to help families in need pay for student lunches at North Creek Elementary School. For donations, visitors can submit drawing slips for the artwork.

Finally, CDL is now a collection point for hard-to-recycle items in support of the Chelsea Zero Waste Coalition. toothpaste tubes and caps, toothbrushes, toothpaste cartons, toothbrush outer packaging, and floss containers and plastic film, including grocery bags, bubble wrap, plastic shipping bags, etc. The Chelsea Zero Waste Coalition will supply CDL with collection boxes as well as arrange pick up collected materials.

The Chelsea community is encouraged to participate in the 2020 Reads. Copies of the selected title, Dear America, Notes of an Undocumented Citizen by Jose Antonio Vargas, are available at CDL. The hope is that our community will read the title and participate in Reads programming throughout Washtenaw County (found at <https://aadl.org/washtenawreads/events>).