

Friends of the Chelsea District Library

Board Meeting, Aug. 10, 2020 (Via Zoom)

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:35pm by Gary Zenz, President.
2. Roll Call: Jan Carr, Lori Coryell, Suzanne Morrison, Michele Mullens, Sue Skiendziel, Jean Vargas, Dayle Wright, Gary Zenz. Guest: Jennifer Kundak. Absent: Nancy Neff.
3. Public Comment: none
4. Acceptance of agenda: Motion by Jan, 2nd by Jean, to accept agenda with 2 additions from Gary. Under New business add: Request from St. Louis Center for books and request from Ann Arbor Observer City Guide. Jan moved, Jean 2nd, passed, all ayes.
5. Minutes of July 14, 2020 meeting accepted with the following changes: correct spelling of Michele's last name-should be Mullens. Motion made by Jean, 2nd by Gary, passed all ayes. Clarified that in item #6 "Suzanne suggested that this info could be used to show our services." was not an action item, just a suggestion.
6. Director Lori presented the Director's Report- This is attached. Library is giving away ~100 bags containing some kind of sports apparatus each week. She wanted to know if FOCDL wanted to produce something in-house, like bookmarks, to put in the bags to publicize the group and its mission. Would need to be available by the 1st week in Sept. Group discussed, Jan will work with Lori to print some bookmarkers on cardstock-will use template used when making last batch but leave off dates of UBS. Will also put in membership plea letter. New flyer going out will note Young @ Art Caldecott event.
7. Chair reports
 - Dayle-Secretary: No report, Sue is filing approved and corrected minutes for access on our website.
 - Sue-Communications: There are more new followers on our Facebook page than in the past.
 - Nancy-Treasurer: No report.
 - Michele-Hospitality: No report.
 - Jean-Membership update: No changes.
Ideas for lobby show case: Lori questioned if it is worth the time & effort to create a display that we can't use if the library is not

opened. She said that if library does open that she can put something together for the show case that celebrates the work of Friends.

- Jan-UBS update: She sent out a letter to book sale sorters and cleaners to give them an update on the status of resuming sales and find out if people were still interested in volunteering on UBS. She received 12 positive responses. She and 3 others spent 1.5 hrs cleaning, scanning and gathering books for Books by Chance. She plans to do this again 1x/wk. She is assembling personal protective equipment & supplies for sorters. She obtained sanitizing wipes-400 for \$40.

8. Old business: None

9. New business:

Emailing the Global “Friends” membership drive-Jean has been working on the letter. Gary moved, Jean 2nd, that Jean put in the letter that if a person joins between Oct. 15, 2020, and Jan. 1, 2021, will have one’s name entered in a drawing for one of two \$50 gift certificates to Serendipity Books. Letter will be ready by 9/1.

Request from St. Louis Center for books--Lori has with a contact @ the center. Because the employees & residents there are usually low wage-earners they have asked us for children’s and self-help type books for readers of all ages. Jan said that she would be willing to meet with Deana Fisher & help her “shop” for books. Lori will follow up with Deana on this.

Request from Ann Arbor Observer (AAO): We were asked to review for accuracy the info they will put in an upcoming addition. Sue questioned why the letter was sent to someone other than our email address, as this is the contact email for communications and she interacted with this magazine previously regarding FOCDL info using this email. She will follow up with AAO to request inquiries be sent to our email address.

10. Upcoming events-No discussion.

11. Meeting adjourned @ 6:15 pm, Jan moved, Sue 2nd, passed all ayes.

Next meeting: Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2020, 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM.

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CDL Responses to COVID-19

CDL continues to operate at Stage 3 (curbside delivery and virtual and remote offerings) of its Reopening Plan. We continue to limit the number of staff in the building daily. Based on the latest EOs and expert opinions on the possible negative impact of COVID on communities in the fall, the management team has determined that all programming throughout November will be implemented remotely. Exceptions to this are the Young at Art exhibit, the library's role in the Sculpture Walk, and the Chelsea Community Read Against Racism Read-in on the Library Lawn (9/12).

CDL Annual In-Service Day

In-Service Day is right around the corner on Friday, August 21. Torrance Learning is leading the program that reinforces our 2020-2022 Strategic Plan theme of facilitating access for all. During the session, we will explore ways to address barriers we may be unknowingly and unintentionally creating to the delivery of excellent service for all.

Young at Art Exhibit

Young at Art will be on display at CDL Sept. 1-30 in the McKune Room. The public may view it by appointment and all safety and health protocols will be followed. The rest of the library building will not be open to the public.

Experience the joy and wonder of award-winning picture book illustrations and the artists behind the pages. *Young at Art* features nearly 50 original illustrations from Caldecott Medal recipients as well as "runner up" Honor books. Picture book illustrators are true artists, and many have created work outside the realm of children's books. Re-discover favorite books and illustrations of yesteryear, and introduce younger generations to art they may not have encountered before.

Chelsea Community Read Against Racism

CDL, Serendipity Books, and the Chelsea Human Rights Commission are partnering to offer a community-wide read of the National Book Award Winner *Stamped from the Beginning* by Ibram X. Kendi (a special teen edition, *Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You: A Remix of the National Book Award-winning Stamped from the Beginning* with edits from award-winning author Jason Reynolds is also available). . We encourage our community to read the book and participate in related events and activities including a remote book discussion on September 29 and a read-in on the library lawn on September 12.