FRIENDS OF THE BEL AIR LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MONDAY NOVEMBER 25, 2024 6:00PM

MEETING MINUTES

Present: Annie Kovach, Amy Cedrone, Pat Easter, Cheryl DeScipio, Bill and Marie Kridenoff, Leslie and Cliff Riden, and Luvenia Woodward.

Ms. Cedrone commenced the meeting at 6:00pm. The October 28, 2024 minutes were approved by all. Mrs. Kridenoff presented the Treasurer's Report as follows:

a/o 09/10/2024: Checking Account balance: \$3,138.62 Savings Account balance: \$11,198.41 a/o 11/15/2024: Checking Account balance: \$12,233.96 Savings Account balance: \$6,198.58 The balance of the Friends' CD is \$12,962.16. A correction to the amount paid to Ms. Cedrone for supplies last month was made from \$170.35 to the corrected amount of \$176.66. The minutes were approved by all.

LIBRARY FOUNDATION UPDATE: Amber Shrodes contacted the Friends Board about sponsoring Winter Reading 2024, which begins on 12/21/24. See their decision in Out of Cycle Requests below. The Foundation will meet again later this week.

BRANCH MANAGER'S REPORT: Ms Kovach announced the Library's 'Holiday Open House' will be on Saturday 12/7/2024 from 4:00-9:00 pm. There will be crafts, snacks and hot chocolate and entertainment featuring a preschool dance recital and possibly others.

NEW BUSINESS: Amber Shrodes asked about the Friends' sponsorship to Winter Reading 2024. \$1,500 was agreed upon by the Board members. The Children's Book/Adult Holiday Charity Book Sale will be December 13 & 14. See HCPL's website for times. In addition to the children's books there will be Holiday items for all ages. Set up will be on Thursday at 10:00am.

OLD BUSINESS: The Fall Potluck Dinner was delicious! We met in the librarian's break room. It was so comfortable and convenient that it was agreed upon to continue the dinners there in the future. A reminder that no account is necessary to access the Friends' Facebook page and that the Bel Air Friends now have a QR code that can be scanned for upcoming events. See below: https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100089242780747.

There being no further business, Ms. Cedrone adjourned the meeting at 6:35pm. In the tradition of NOT MEETING IN DECEMBER, the next meeting of the Friends of the Library Board of Directors will be on Monday, JANUARY27, 2025 at 6:00pm at The Bel Air Branch of HCPL. All friends are encouraged and



welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted, Pat Easter, Secretary