

**FRIENDS OF THE BEL AIR LIBRARY**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**Monday SEPTEMBER 25, 2023, 6:00 PM**

**MEETING MINUTES**

Present: Amy Cedrone, Annie Kovach, Lynn Garrison, Pat Easter, Carole Conrad, Bonnie Bailey, Eileen Choynowski, Dawn Grandizio, and Leslie and Cliff Riden .

Ms. Cedrone commenced the meeting at 6:02. The August 28, 2023 minutes were approved by all. Mr. Garrison presented the Treasurer's Report as follows:

a/o 08/14/2023: Checking Account balance: \$5,287.51 Savings Account balance: \$11,197.05

a/o 08/29/2023: Checking Account balance: \$1,679.21 Savings Account balance: \$9,697.17

**BRANCH MANAGER'S REPORT:** The Friends were presented with a framed "Thank You" within a nautical themed tote bag from the Library Foundation for sponsorship for Summer Reading 20223. The tote will be raffled off at a Potluck gathering of the Friend's volunteers on October 30. Ms. Kovach made a request for \$100 for an upcoming program in January 2024 by Marty Brazeau of Forest Birds. It was approved by all.

**NEW BUSINESS:** There were no out of cycle requests. The Board approved access to the Bel Air Friends account at PNC Bank to Amy Cedrone and Lynn Garrison. A motion was made to sponsor the 2024 Summer reading program and a level will be decided at October's Board meeting following the Fall Book sale. The Children's Pop up book sale in September profited \$1,274.50. Because of the successes, the Friends agreed to make the Children's book sale a standard event each year. The tablecloths with the Friend's logo was decided upon and will be ordered by Ms. Kovach. Set up for the Fall Book Sale will begin Thursday 10/5 after 12:00 noon and continue on Friday 10/6 9am-4pm, Saturday 10/7 ,9am-4pm, and continue on Tuesday 10/10 and Wednesday 10/11 if necessary. The library will be closed on Monday 10/9. We will have a Potluck dinner on Monday 10/30/23 at the Bel Air Branch for the volunteers of the Fall book sale. Costumes are encouraged but not necessary. Contact Ms. Cedrone with any questions at cedrone.amy@gmail.com. There was a motion to print Friends T shirts for the 150th anniversary of Be Air in 2024. Ideas are due by November 1, 2023

**OLD BUSINESS:** 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>.



LIBRARY FOUNDATION UPDATE: The Gala will be on Saturday, November 4, 2023 and is now sold out. The tickets we purchased will be raffled off to the library staff at the Bel Air Branch.

There being no further business, Ms. Cedrone, adjourned the meeting at 6:49PM. **The next meeting of the Friends of the Bel Air Library Board of Directors will be held on Monday, OCTOBER 23, 2023 at 6:00 PM AT THE Bel AIR BRANCH Of HCPL.** All Friends' members are encouraged and welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pat Easter,  
Secretary