

**Friends of Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library**  
**Meeting Date: July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

Meeting called to order 5:30pm

PRESENT: Karen C., Helen R., Debi L., Mary M., Mary Paige L-C., Cheryl J., Sari R., Ida R., James G., Alasha S.,

MINUTES: Minutes of 5 read, motion to approve made by Karen C. Ida R. 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion

CORRESPONDENCE: Thank you note from Friends of the Garden donation memory of Mary's mom. Thank you note from Sari in memory of her Dad. Thank you note from Marvin for all we do

TREASURESREPORT: \$13,716.59 bank balance. Received \$560 membership renewals  
Donation of \$150 from Emil and Eileen Motl

OLD BUSINESS:

- TREX Bench update: Mary Paige contacted the company & moved the date of plastic drop off back to April 15. Can recycle plastics with a 2 or 4 on the packages
- Fundraising & raffle: Look into online raffle companies. Mary Paige was approached by Resa, who has Morris Katz paintings she is willing to donate. We could raffle or have an auction to raise funds.
  
- Bagel Fest: canceled
- Membership renewals are due on June 30. Cheryl got a reminder out to our current friends reminding them to renew. As an added bonus, they will get a Friends tote bag. They could pick it up if they have books on hold or schedule a time for pick up.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Officers: President – Helen R., Vice President - Mary M., Secretary - Debi L., Treasurer - Karen C.
  
- Asked Alasaha, new member, how she heard about Friends to get involved (bought paver, 6 year old son spends time in library )
  
- Attract new members: fliers in stores on bulletin boards, word of mouth, articles in newspaper, social media, membership pamphlets available at events, Helen will contact RCLS PR person for renewal ideas
- Book Drop: closing the present book drop as it is too cold in winter. Need to purchase outdoor book drop and may ask Friends for monetary help
- Slates have artists paint them and final chosen artwork will be discretion of the library with disclaimer to artist ...there are 40 slates, use 15 of them for this project
- Bethel Woods Museum pass usually purchased by Friends for the library, not sure if museum is offering it due to pandemic, this was tabled
- Helen and Cheryl will be presenting a webinar for Friends section for NYLA March of 2021

- Helen – RCLS webinar diversity in library...we need more diversity should be seen in the Friends group
- Alasha asked for a list of items needed for the library, programs, etc
- Next Zoom meeting 8/11/2020 at 5:30pm
- Helen meeting to end 6:20 Debi made a motion to adjourn , Sari seconded it