

Millstadt Library Board Minutes- Fundraising Committee  
February 24, 2025  
3:00 p.m.  
Millstadt Library

The Fundraising Committee Meeting was held to discuss upcoming fundraising events. Those in attendance were Fundraising Committee members, Bob Englebretson, Patti French and library director, Nichole Lauko, Others in attendance were, Liz Lange, Mary Agnes Schlather, Roxanne Amos, Linda Hoepfinger, Arlene Glaeser, and Jenny Bernstein.

**Guests and Appearances:**

**Old Business:**

- 1) Total Funds Balance as of 02/18/2025: \$59,329.57
  - a. With pledge: \$104,329.57
- 2) Discussed 2025 Calendar of Events
  - a. Quarterly restaurant collaborations
    - i. Will contact someone for possibly May or June
  - b. Virtual 5K
    - i. Sign up ends on March 1
    - ii. Those who signed up in time for a hat will be able to pick them up starting March 1
    - iii. 25 people signed up and the additional 10 hats will be paid for by the library
    - iv. Earnings as of 02/18/2025: \$1,072.09
  - c. Penguin Random House Friends of the Library Grant
    - i. Applied for with intents to use funds for books and Summer Reading
  - d. Barcode Duplicating
    - i. Thank you to Mary Agnes, Bob, and Jenny for helping the librarians finish duplicating barcodes for the new AMHS.
  - e. Membership Drive/Creating a yearly/monthly giving/membership/member only events
    - i. Discussion was had on having items specifically for members, such as an ability to lend out passes to local museums and attractions. Sustaining membership might be a good way to encourage continual funds and there could be multiple tiers. Members could be entitled to a Yearly Friends Dinner and gifts for signing up.
    - ii. Patti suggested to form a membership committee. Those members are Linda Hopfinger, Patti French, Liz Lange, Jenny Bernstein, and Roxanne Amos. They will meet on March 10 at 2 p.m.
  - f. PictureIt!
    - i. Jenny has listed July 22 and 29 as possible dates. Nichole will reach out to Millpond to verify.

**New Business**

- 1) Summer Reading Snacks at Leprechaun Crawl

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1. The library is able to sell snacks again for the Chamber's crawl. Bags have been purchased and pub mix will be next. Sam's has the lowest price.
  2. A Sign-Up Genius has been made to fill slots for available working hours for Saturday.
  3. We will fill bags on March 6 at 1 p.m. anything not finished can be done the next day.
- 2) Round-Up for the Library at IGA/Lee's
1. April 6 – 12, theme is Drawn to the Library
  2. IGA cannot do the round up for a week, but is looking to help in another way. Nichole will reach out to see if they have any suggestions.
  3. Have not heard back from Lee's yet.

The next Friends and Fundraising meeting will be held Monday, March 31 at 3 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Nichole Lauko