

Millstadt Library Board Minutes- Fundraising Committee  
July 28, 2025  
3:00 p.m.  
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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, Linda Hopfinger, Roxanne Amos, and Jenny Bernstein.

**Guests and Appearances:**

**Old Business:**

- 1) Total Funds Balance as of 07/23/2025: \$61,733.96
  - a. With pledge: \$106,733.96
- 2) PictureIt!
  - i. Tuesday, July 29 at Millpond at 6 p.m. – RSVPs due July 18
  - ii. 31 tickets sold, 2 at Millpond, 11 online, 18 at the Library, 1 ticket donated to SRAP

**New Business**

1) Possible Paranormal Fundraiser

1. Saturday, October 17 (new date to not interfere with another Village event) with a presentation at the library at 5 p.m.
2. Will then host two paranormal investigations at the Senior Center at 6:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.
3. Amount to charge will be decided once the space has been assessed by Ara and her team which will be in August. Raised money will be shared between the Senior Center and the Library.
4. The investigation team will also be donating an investigation kit to be raffled.

2) Upcoming Events:

- 1) PictureIt on July 29
  1. Jenny
- 2) Summer Social
  1. Linda, Patti, and Bob
    - a. Nichole and Jenny will face paint
- 3) Paranormal Program on October 18
  1. Mary Agnes
    - a. Promotional ad created
- 4) Baked Goods Auction with call to action in September, Auction starting on October 17, auction ending on October 24, and auction pick up on October 25
  1. Roxanne
    - a. Promotional ad created
    - b. Will be creating a physical and digital sign-up form

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- c. Will also get estimates for an award plaque from K2Awards
  - d. Roxanne will reach out to businesses/bakers in September
- 3) Membership Drive Committee:
- 1. Instead of having our own membership drive event just yet, discussed having a focus on the Friends Group at other community events, like the library does. Such as going out to Chamber events, Optimist events, and more.
  - 2. It was suggested to modify the membership tiers again to make them more realistic for our community.
    - 1) The changes are as follows:
      - Tier 1 – no changes
      - Tier 2 - \$250/Year
      - Tier 3 - \$500/Year
        - a. Adding the book plate and removing the drinkware, making the special evening out the same as the special dinner

The next Friends and Fundraising meeting will be held Monday, August 25 at 3 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Nichole Lauko