

Friends of the Brownsburg Public Library
Regular Board Meeting
May 11, 2026

Tracey Quesada, President, called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Lara Boulton (Zoom), Tracey Quesada, Elainna Fair (Zoom), Linda Peterson-Roe (Zoom), and Rhonda Nelson

Absent:

Staff: Denise Robinson and Amie Scott

Other:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Lara Boulton moved to approve the February minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Rhonda Nelson and carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE LAST MEETING

None

CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

None

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Denise reviewed the financials for February, March, and April with the board.

SHOP UPDATE

We've sold nearly \$5,000 (which is \$2,000 more than last year) as of the end of April in the Library Shop. This is thanks in large part to the remaining canvas prints acquired by Linda's daughter and son-in-law, as well as new volunteers who are transforming the Shop with a true bookstore "vibe." We've also had success selling "Vintage Vault" items at higher prices.

2026/2027 MLIS SCHOLARSHIP

Wanda has agreed to offer the scholarship again in the amount of \$1,500. The Friends of the Library will match that amount for a total of \$3,000 in scholarship funds. We will ask interested parties to submit their applications by May 29, with a decision to be made by June 16, 2026. Rhonda Nelson motioned to keep the Friends' portion at \$1,500, and Lara Boulton seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

REMINDER:

The Library will use the Friends' 501(c)3 status for sponsor requests. Any funds awarded will be sent to the Friends to be forwarded to the library for grant purposes.

FRIENDS' FUNDRAISERS

- **NIGHT IN THE STACKS RECAP:** We brought in \$2,954.98 after expenses. It was a successful fundraiser! For 2027, we are looking at Saturday, February 20.

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- **SANTA SHOPPE:** We are looking at dates in November for the Santa Shoppe. Amie will continue hunting for bargains (items \$2.50 or less).
- **KROGER REWARDS:** \$105.87 (January – March 2026)
- **RAISE RIGHT:** \$75.42 in 2025; \$75.02 in 2024
- **DINE TO DONATE OPPORTUNITIES:** (Ongoing)

LIBRARY DIRECTOR REPORT

Our Summer Reading Kickoff is Monday, June 8, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Our parking lot construction is complete, so we are hoping for a big crowd. We will be advertising the Santa Shoppe to solicit donations and announce dates. The Friends typically have a table and run the photo booth as well; Rhonda and Tracey have offered to help.

On Saturday, May 16, we have our Community Day. Denise will run the Friends' table and promote the Dolly Parton Imagination Library.

OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Elainna suggested a Read-A-Thon fundraiser for next summer where readers could solicit sponsors based on a specific number of hours read. This would involve a specific date for participants to come and read together for an hour.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

August 10, 2026, @ 6:30 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Rhonda Nelson, Secretary