

Friends of the Brownsburg Public Library
Regular Board Meeting
August 11, 2025

Linda Peterson-Roe, President, called the annual meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

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

Absent:

Staff: Denise Robinson and Amie Scott

Other:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Lara Boulton moved approval of the May Minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Elainna Fair and carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

None

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Denise reviewed the financials for May, June, and July with the board.

SHOP UPDATE

Library Services staff have been busy weeding and sending a TON of inventory our way. This prompted a \$3 bag sale and later this week a "Once Upon a Dime" sale with all items \$.10! Hopefully, this will clear out our backlog. Profit this year has been down. We are hovering around 80% now. The first two quarters we didn't have as much to sell (slimmer donations and no weeding) and with construction, it has impacted our foot traffic. We're not likely to hit our record-setting profit from last year without some fancy footwork between now and November.

2025 Membership Drive Update

We had 82% return rate (87 of 106 members) and 3% new members (32). Amie will be in touch to setup the 2026 mailing.

2025/2026 MLIS Tuition Reimbursement

Denise shared the flyer that we posted for the staff with a deadline of August 27 for applicants. We will announce the award on September 16. We'll plan to meet on Thursday, September 4 at 2 p.m. with an option to Zoom.

FUNDRAISING

Santa Shoppe:

140 items on site so far with expenditures of \$296 with a cost so far of roughly \$2.11/item. Amie has been primarily shopping Menards overstock to get good deals. Many of the pallet storefronts have

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closed and are strictly online. Without spending hundreds or even thousands to buy a pallet, we're somewhat limited on shopping options. We met with Rick White from Kiwanis on an unrelated topic, but he is the sponsor of Key Club at the high school, so we're happy to have the connection.

Night in the Stacks:

Slated for February 21, 2026; we will start advertising soon – add blurb to membership letters

eBay Sales: Amie has sold \$275.06 online and has three more items listed right now that should bring in another \$250-\$300.

Kroger Rewards – \$101.02 (7/28/25) from 32 Households

♣\$104.95 (4/23/25) ♣\$114.42 (1/22/25) ♣ \$116.48 (11/4/24) ♣ \$80.75 (7/23/24)

Dine to Donate Opportunities

We're looking into options and will pursue these as ways to bring in small amounts.

Raise Right Fundraiser

We've received \$43.86 in money this year.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Denise shared information about the Kickoff event. While attendance was lower than in year's past vendors and patrons alike had a good time. We had twelve teen volunteers that helped with face painting. It was nice to make the connection with them. Hedgehog Hannah was a huge hit once again. Once again summer went by very quickly. Discussion ensued about the construction project.

OTHER ITEMS

None at this time.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

November 10, 2025 @ 6:30 p.m.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Nelson

Secretary