**Columbus Friends of the Library Minutes February 18, 2014**

In attendance: Connie Schultz, Linda Parpart, Mary Jo Wentz, Sue Salter, Kelsey Johnson-Kaiser, Becky Casio, Jacob Ewert, Mary Kate Dawson. Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Mary Jo moved to approve the minutes from January 21, 2014, meeting, seconded by Becky. Minutes approved.

**By-laws amendment:** Linda discussed suggested changes to the by-laws, specifically adding a vice-president position. Reasons included: assisting president, discussion w/another officer on problems/ concerns, co—worker to share duties, such as organizing fund-raising activities. Mary Jo moved to accept the changes; Connie seconded. Motion passed.

**Election of vice-president:** Linda nominated Tracey Steffens. Mary Kate seconded the nomination. Motion carried.

**Inventory Control Manager:** We need someone to keep track of tee-shirts & totes and report back to the group w/ a current inventory. Linda appointed Jacob Ewert to the position. Jacob accepted.

**Culver’s Night Out – March 17th**: We are too late to have it posted in the library newsletter. We can have posters and ½ sheet flyers printed and distributed. The event would run from 5 p.m. – 8 p.m. Kelsey will ask at the Teen Advisory Group to assist. We can also have WBEV announce the event. Linda will contact the radio station and ask that they announce it. Mary Jo will contact the Columbus and Fall River schools and ask them to announce it. We’ll ask Michelle to send an email to all Friends of the Library members to volunteer to help out.

**Keurig Brewer – buy or rent:**  Linda reported on a company that will provide the coffeemaker and the pods and charge us $.70 per cup. In addition, we’d have to provide the cups, napkins, etc. Discussion followed on the possibility of getting an off-brand coffeemaker and/or use a discount from Kohl’s, setting a price for a purchase, and authorizing Michelle to purchase one at a price not to exceed $150. Mary Kate made a motion that we authorize Michelle to purchase a Keurig-type coffeemaker not to exceed $150. Jacob seconded. Motion carried.

**Internet book sales:** Connie reported on her conversation w/Cindy’s father-in-law about how to run an internet sale. Start-up costs would be minimal. We’d need to purchase mailing envelopes in various sizes. Mary Jo will assist Connie in setting up an account w/Amazon.com; researching and listing books for sale. Books worth more than $10 will be listed. We should start advertising that we will take book donations, not only for internet sales, but also for our spring book sale.

**Arbor Day Book/Bake Sale – April 26th:** Linda asked for an update on our holding a bake sale along w/the book sale. Kate said she thinks that would be okay as the Senior Center isn’t participating. We will be at the Pavilion this year. City public works will move all the books for us. Linda will contact the 4 H group about their assisting us. Kelsey will ask the TAB members to assist as well.

**Misc:** Cindy would like us to put up flyers for Mark Moran, antique appraiser. Each of us will take a few. He’ll be here on March 31st. Kelsey wondered if we’d like to have a bake sale at the same time. We agreed a small bake sale/coffee sale was a good idea. We’ll discuss further at the March meeting.

**Treasurer’s report:**  Mary Kate reported that we have $491.78 in ckg; savings $1831.35; $43.91 in bks & donations; petty cash $67.34; $2390.47 assets.

Next month agenda: Generate ideas for a Talent sheet for members to complete; sign-up for book/bake sale; sign-up for bake/coffee sale at appraisal event.

Next meeting is March 18th. Mary Kate moved, Linda seconded, that the meeting adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Schultz