

Friends of the Russell Library
Minutes
Executive Committee Meeting
April 6, 2023, Russell Library Annex Building

Present: Sandy Becker, Barrie Robbins-Pianka, Makiko Shinjo, Tisha Ferguson, Cathy Boone, Laura Taft
Recorder: Tisha Ferguson

Call to Order

Approval of March 2023 minutes.

President's Report

- Annual meeting planning: Tuesday, June 21 at 6:00-8:00 PM, in the Hubbard Room.
- Annual Meeting agenda draft to be approved at May 5 Exec. Comm. meeting
- Cookies & beverage for Members – ½ prior to start of business meeting
- Emailed notice of meeting, with agenda & candidate slate to be sent to members by May 15; also include notice in library's monthly newsletter
- Update on yellow dot sticker system- working well so far; following the March 24-26, many more (most?) books were 'stickered'.

Treasurer's Report

- Very strong income in March
- Tracking of book resellers
- Annual donation to library discussion – increase to 2022 level

Discussion

- Book Nook returns cycle discussion; suggestion to set up a permanent, one-sided book shelf for 'prolific author' books, 'last hurrah' books
- Review of March book sale results; discussion of benefits of 3 day sales and ½ price Sundays.
- Book sales decisions:
 - to hold ½ price Sundays only 2 x per year
 - closing time to be advertised as ½ before library closing on last day, to allow time for clearing up following last sales
 - decision to skip Thursday evenings, for now
 - decision to hold book sales 4 x per year, as follows:
 - March 3 days: Fri/Sat/Sun
 - June 2 days: Fri/Sat
 - Sept 2 days: Fri/Sat (TBA)
 - Nov/Dec 3 days: Fri/Sat/Sun
- Proposed Book Sale dates: September 8 & 9, December 1, 2, 3

Move to Adjourn

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 5, 2023, 10:00 AM, Russell Library Extension

Respectfully submitted,
Tisha Ferguson

