

Friends of the Yorkville Public Library

November 10, 2025

Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Jay Githens, Lara Owczarski, Ronda Githens, Sue Smithmeyer, Sharon Mix, Bobbe Hahn, Judy Somerlot, Nancy Aschauer, Kathryn Murphy, Cheryl Knox, Lorna Jones

1. Call to order 1015
2. Correspondence none
3. Approval of minutes from the October 2025 meeting Judy motioned and Sharon 2nd to approve. Approved.
4. Treasurer's Report: Two treasurer's reports were presented. One is an updated one from last month and the other was the most current. Sue motioned and Sharon 2nd to approve revised Sept report. Approved. Nancy motioned and Jay seconded to approve Oct report. Approved.
5. Committee Reports
 - a. Scrapbook: Carolyn Kyle: Not available
 - b. Hospitality: Bobbe Hahn: Sent a get well card to Sheryl
 - c. Publicity: Theresa Eberhardt: Not available but did two hours of advertising work for our website. Also please let her know of any upcoming events so she can get them out on social media.
 - d. Volunteer Hours: Nancy Aschauer: 104 hours. **Don't forget to call or text Nancy if you have any volunteer hours to report but won't be at the meeting.**
6. Library Activities
 - a. Shelley Augustine: There will be a Tablescape meeting Nov 13 at 4 that Sue will be attending. Shelley would like to change the responsibility of the event from the library staff to the Friends. More to come.

Baker and Taylor, a nationwide library book distributor is going out of business. They hope to have a new vendor by Dec. 2. <https://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/americas/baker-and-taylor-library-books-close-b2843457.html>
 - b. Mike Curtis: Not available but Shelley let us know that the Misty Rivers Movie Makers will be performing on Dec 3 at 7pm. <https://yorkville.librarycalendar.com/event/live-music-library-misty-river-music-makers-12062>
7. Old Business
 - a. Midland Bank's Community Day (10/17): thanks to Peggy, Kathi, Sue, Sharon, & Judy for manning the table. One realtor seemed interested in corporate sponsorship, and one person donated \$20
 - b. Many thanks to all for the Maciano's fundraising results: \$827.46
 - c. Many thanks to all who helped unpack the new meeting room chairs. Shelley will be buying one more cart to hold the new chairs. The chairs are stacked too high to safely take on and off the carts. 50 of the old chairs were donated to Hinckley Library.

- d. Our donation box is now on the table at adult programs sponsored by Friends.
- e. Update on October 22 Trivia night participation: Much fun was had by all. Our snacks went over well and we plan to do it again next time.
- f. Update on Raffle Basket donations: solicitation letters will go out mid-November to 17 businesses who donated in 2025
- g. Discussion of MiniGolf event: There was a vote in April to postpone MG for one year to try out new events. That decision stands. The motion made at the previous meeting is null and void. The efforts to restart MG were done with the best of intentions but there will be no more MG discussion until after the used book sale in March.

8. New Business

- a. New directories are available; they have been mailed to those who aren't at our meetings
- b. We host a Friends & Staff luncheon following the December meeting – sign-up sheet is available. We will keep a running list of who is bringing what on our website. If you would like to contribute, please email us and we will add your name and dish.
- c. Comments from the floor
 - c.i. Sharon worked with Dope Pepper Design and they have come up with a snowflake design for our logo on items, plus has added in dog shirts, koozies and bookmarks. We aren't doing a formal fundraiser until spring but the items are available for sale now. Order before Nov 26 to ensure delivery before the holidays.
<https://dopepepperdesign.com/collections/yorkville-public-library>

9. Volunteering

- a. Lobby Used Book Sale
 - a.i. November: Carolyn Kyle
 - a.ii. December: Jim Skowronski
- b. Kendall County Obituaries
 - b.i. November: Kathy Brady
 - b.ii. December: Judy Somerlot

10. Next meeting: December 8, 2025 at 10:15 a.m.

11. Adjournment 11:00