

**Friends of Robert Trail Library**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**April 9, 2018**

1. Jo called the **meeting to order** in the midst of boxes of books as we start preparations for our annual book sale.

2. **Treasurer's Report:**

John gave an informal update with the beginning balance of \$6,399.75 and an ending monthly balance of \$4,276.79. He explained that we would be receiving a large deposit for all the returned books purchased by FRTL for the Writers Festival that did not sell. Other monthly expenses were as usual, and included small reimbursements to individual's expenses on behalf of FRTL.

3. **Old Business:**

\* April Artists Reception for East Lake Elementary was well attended as reported by Sue. May 6th is the next date and Autumn Anderson will be helping on behalf of FRTL.

\* One Book Update - October 24th will be the author event with Lisa Bullard discussing her book, "Turn Left at the Cow," which is this year's selected title.

\* School Support Grants - applications have gone out to all the eligible schools' media specialists.

\* Writers Festival - evaluations forms that were returned indicated a very positive response to this year's event, which appears to have greater attendance than previous years.

\* Books and Bells Event - date has been set for Dec. 8th for the handbell program at the library. Shalome will be coordinating this event which we are sponsoring and is new this year.

4. **New Business:**

\* Book Sale Timeframe - it was agreed that if we could have the unsold books loaded into the truck by 9:00 am on Sun., April 22, we would be able to deliver them to the Bloomington Police Sale location by 11:00 as they have requested. On return to Rosemount, the tables will then be loaded, if they aren't already dropped off to our storage garage before going to Bloomington. It will depend on the amount of books and people available to help. This will be finalized on Sat., after all the books are packed in boxes and we know how many helpers will be available.

5. **Sign ups:**

\* Staff Treats - April - June/Jean, July - Sept/Ann, Oct - Dec/Barb. Remember to submit your receipts, if any.

\* Artist Reception - 2 - 3 pm on May 6 at Diamond Path and Autumn will be assisting with refreshments.

Respectfully submitted,

Barb Mahovlich  
Secretary, FRTL