

Friends of the Greene County Library, Inc.  
Minutes  
May 9, 2007 Board of Directors Meeting

The meeting convened at 7:00 PM. Board members in attendance were Deborah Willenborg, Jackie Pamentor, Cindy Dingledine, Mary Jo Sopelak, and John Mitchell. Also in attendance were Greene Library Branch Manager Ginny Reese and guest Jennifer Linaberry.

Treasurer's Report: John reported that there was \$907.62 in the Friends' checking account.

Library Budget: On May 8, the Board of Supervisors approved the amount of \$276,000 for the library's budget for the fiscal year beginning on July 1. A copy of the County's complete approved budget is available for a nominal charge. The consensus was that it would be a useful document to have available to Greene County patrons in the library. Jackie is to discuss with J-MRL Director John Halliday whether the library system or the Greene Friends should purchase it.

Christmas Activities: The Greene County Chamber of Commerce inquired if the Friends would like to coordinate with the Stanardsville Area Revitalization committee in conducting a Christmas tree decorating contest. The Board decided that in view of our limited resources, it would not participate in this activity.

The Board did decide to do an "angel tree," in which tags with children's names would be placed on the tree, patrons could take a tag from the tree and purchase an age-appropriate book for that child, and then put the book under the tree with its tag. There would be a party at the library for the children to pick up their book gifts. Cindy agreed to explore this idea with the Gordon Avenue Branch, which has held this activity in the past. Directing the activity at preschool age children was discussed, but the exact age range will be determined at a later time.

Summer Reading Kickoff: The Board finalized plans for the Summer Reading Program Kickoff, to be held on Monday, June 18, from 5-8PM. The theme of the Kickoff will be "Books Can Take You Anywhere." Friends volunteers will handle the outside duties so the library staff can do those inside. Activities to be featured are: moon bounce, free ice cream, music provided by Peter Bramley, and face painting.

"Book Sharks" Boys' Book Club: Plans were well along for the "Book Sharks" club for boys age 10/11 to 14. The adult leaders will be Tom Walsh and Jonathan Sjoldal. The Sharks will be an eight-week program on Thursday evenings, and will be a "books to movies" program in which the participants will read a book one week and view a movie based on the book the following week, and then compare the two. Deborah moved, and Jackie seconded, that the Board purchase a dictionary for each of the participants, and the motion was adopted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

John Mitchell  
Secretary/Treasurer  
Friends of the Greene County Library, Inc.