

## Friends of Brandon Township Public Library

Meeting Minutes

Meeting on May 11, 2026

Members present: Tom, Patty, Monika, Alan

Staff / Board liaisons present: Laura, Cheryl, Fran

1. President's Report – Tom welcomed everyone and started the meeting at 6:03 PM; the agenda was approved as written
2. Vice President's Report – Margaret was unable to attend but had provided a written document; see remarks under Bookstore report
3. Secretary's Report – last month's meeting minutes were approved as printed
4. Treasurer's Report – Patty stated that the checking balance as of 5/1/2026 was \$14,004.00; the CD value is up a little bit from having interest paid and stands at \$2,858.49; in the month of April, 14 FOL bookstore book coupons were collected; internet book sales for April are at \$224.76, and total income overall for April is \$562.99; brief discussion of expenses; Patty mentioned that the M15 book sale numbers will be included in May (not April) – discussion how to show the \$75.00 Patty gave Margaret at the beginning of the book sale so we would have some change
5. Finance Committee Report – Vacant
6. Membership Committee Report – Vacant
7. Bookstore Committee Report – Monika read Margaret's reports to the group; the bookstore shelves are looking a little bare, and she has advertised on Facebook that donations are welcome – the total sales figure from the M15 book sale including Square is \$794.04; it was a very busy day with lots of foot traffic
8. Fundraising Committee Report – Vacant
9. Library Director Report – Laura reported that the library board will have two candidates on the ballot in November (Jason and Keeley) – the porch sale earned \$410.00 – Margaret recognized the library staff by bringing treats during National Library week, and it was greatly appreciated – Laura thanked the FOL for sponsoring the Battle of the Books again – construction has now begun on the youth and staff restrooms; should be a quick project – she encouraged everyone to donate blood on the blood drive this Thursday, May 14, in the community room – Laura said that The Citizen will feature special articles about the library's history over the next few months
10. Library Board of Trustees Liaison Report – Cheryl reported that the ongoing audit is going well – the new trustees are being trained; she mentioned some survey questions
11. Library Staff Liaison Report – Fran stated that 11 bibs and board books were given out in April – she thanked the FOL for sponsoring the Battle of the Books; there were seven teams, and for the first time ever, there was a tie for third place; however, Fran stayed under budget – The Citizen published a great article with photos covering the Battle of the Books – the library is hosting an art show with art from middle and high school students on May 14; the PTA will provide water and cookies

12. Unfinished Business

- a) Quilt Raffle Update – Margaret has contacted all FOL members about helping to sell tickets; so far, two have responded – Monika has created an Excel spreadsheet to keep track of who has tickets – Patty requested that if any money from raffle ticket sales are being dropped in the bookstore cash box, to please make sure you put your name and the words Raffle Tickets on the envelope

13. New Business: none

14. Adjournment of Meeting – the meeting was adjourned at 6:23 PM