

**The Book Club of Grosse Ile
Meeting Minutes
December 6, 2020 - via Zoom**

Attendees: Robin Brown, Kathy Campbell, Chris Dowhan-Bailey, Lynda Gluch, Katie Hartwell, Leigh Krauss, Ilona Macek, Sue Pizzimenti

Katie Hartwell opened the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

President's Report - On behalf of the group, Katie announced our best wishes to Beth Brick and her family for recovery from Covid and to Michael Glover for recovery from a hip injury.

Secretary's Report - Sue reported that the final count for the 2021-2022 Circulation Year is 60 Active Members, 15 Associate Members, and 3 Honorary Members. We have 9 new Active Members.

Treasurer's Report - Ilona reported that we had \$518 in expenses since our last report in June, including a Speaker fee, microphone system purchase, and PO Box payment as notable items. We took in \$2765 in membership dues, leaving a current balance of \$9743.83 in our account.

Leigh Krauss - Zoom is set up for our group on a month to month subscription for \$15.89 per month.

New Members' Party

- Date is January 7th, 2021
- Will be Zoom event
- Katie will prepare a "Save the Date" announcement for Sue to send out with RSVP
- Chris, Leigh and Lynda will plan the event and get snacks & wine for goodie bags for event
- Chris will prepare email for attendees to get their beverage choice of red or white wine or sparkling water
- Katie will write a script for the event
- Lynda will make up a powerpoint for Circulation

Circulation - Robin

- Committee members to assist Robin with Circulation
- Robin will call Katie Chambers and ask her to assist with Circulation
- Sue will set up circulation groups and routings and make up the charts and member passing cards
- Books will be delivered to Robin's house in January
- Kathy Campbell and Robin will wrap the books
- Book pick up will be at Chris's house for South (she will set up books in her open garage). Central and North pick up will be at Robin's porch.
- We will deliver books to any older members (snow/ice in February). Leigh will review list and advise.

February Dinner Meeting

- Will be Zoom meeting on February 19th. Members only - no guests or spouses
- Will have break out groups - if our Zoom membership allows break out rooms
- Discussion topic - Best book of the year and why
- Groups join together and present
- Kathy Campbell looking at options for Zoom presentations

- Historical society of Monroe has a presentation about the GM Poletown plant that was built with property taken by eminent domain. Plant was to be shuttered but now will be state of the art.
- John Hartig may be a speaker regarding International Wildlife Refuge / Detroit River
- Podcast - "What's the Deal Grosse Ile"
- Following discussion, the group agreed that Kathy should pursue lining up John Hartig live via Zoom for the event

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Pizzimenti