

Friends of Dandridge Memorial Library

Minutes

June 9, 2026

The friends met Tues., June 9 at the Dandridge Library. Bethany Jones called the meeting to order at 4:03. Kathy Pless approved the minutes and Doug seconded it. Our financial report was given by Bethany with our balance now at approximately \$4,000. The Membership list has been updated and copies given to those present. Our construction budget is growing with a new grant applied for and estimates for books dropping to possibly less than a third of what was planned.

Bethany gave an update on the construction with earth moving equipment beginning last Monday on the site. Our official groundbreaking is Tues., June 23rd at 1:30pm. Invitations have been sent to dignitaries and the construction company will have an area set up for pictures and the ceremony.

The logo was reviewed and version 6 was approved by all. A lengthy discussion of which kind of shirts to order and the various sizes. It was determined that we will go

with a medium blue and green color to match the logo. Susie Jarnagin will be checking on different costs and try to keep them low.

Bethany talked to the contractor about an outside donor wall but they were not encouraging on making one work outside but suggested an inner wall. Kodak Library has one.

Other fundraiser suggestions were the June Jubilee with brochures and a jug possibly at the Kiwanis Club Booth. Susie will check on this.

The Scots-Irish Festival will be Sep. 26th this year with help needed at the book sale on the porch of Shepards Inn. We hope to have book bags and t-shirts for sale.

Another fundraiser dinner at Shepards Inn is planned for 25 people on Sep. 12th. There is a possibility of a tea and appetizers later in the year.

Doug will check on the possibility of having a booth at the farmer's market on Saturday mornings 8 – 12.

Our next meeting will be held July 14, 2026 at 4pm. Susie will not be here so Kathy will keep the minutes.

