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Minutes of June 18, 2018

Present:

Anne Burton, Jill Dugas Hughes, Dinah Farrington, Karen Foster, Tricia Ferguson, Betty Giugno, Tom Grant, Lois Hazelton, Judith Maguire, Kevin McCann, Linda Murphy, Lynne Oudekerk, Michael Poost, Liz Reyner, Bob West, Kate Hafner

Minutes:

Minutes of the April 10 regular meeting were approved unanimously, with Lynne Oudekerk moving and Karen Foster seconding.

Treasurer's Report:

Judith submitted her last treasurer's report. The balance as of June 18, 2018 is \$49,597.71. The report was approved unanimously, with Kate Hafner moving and Michael Poost seconding.

Membership/Database:

We currently have 296 households this year, with 265 renewals, 19 renewing from previous years and 12 new members. A total of \$1,094 came in as additional donations.

Karen Foster and Diane Ryan are now updating our membership database with new and renewing member data. Patrick Cronin continues his work developing our new web-based membership database. Patrick demonstrated his progress to a group of Friends leaders in May.

Book Sales:

We earned \$14,906 from the Spring book sale. The book sale committee met last week to suggest some changes for the adult sales, which include re-arranging the placement of some of the books, possible hiring of movers if we do not get volunteer hefters to bring books from the shed during the set up and to remove books to the Thrift Books gaylords at the end of the sale, and hiring security for the first night of the sale and possibly moving the start of the set-up from Thursday night to Friday morning if we are hiring movers. Linda investigated how many other libraries handle large sales and we got some ideas but hope that those three will be enough to avoid the problems we had at the April sale. Dinah Farrington has some ideas for volunteer hefters and will investigate them.

Advocacy/Membership Committee:

Anne Burton is organizing for the Get Out the Vote campaign; she will be recruiting callers in August. It was suggested that if we set up during the Farmers' Market on some Wednesdays, we should be doing Get Out the Vote as well as join the Friends and publicizing what the Friends sponsor (Museum passes, Musical Events...)

Public Relations

Lois Hazelton reports that she is working with Susan Bell on updating the Friends' pages on the library website and she's on schedule for the next Library newsletter.

Friends News:

Tricia Ferguson was nominated to be Vice President and Janet Malecki was nominated to replace Judith as Treasurer. Lynne Oudekerk moved and Linda seconded the two separate votes, both of which passed unanimously,

Liz will identify Friends volunteers to work with her to suggest bylaws updates, including language about handling mid-year leader vacancies. Suggested changes will be discussed at the September Friends meeting with plans for a vote on the changes at the November Friends meeting.

We thank Karrie McLellan who was very helpful when we had problems with the Friends laptop.

Library news:

Members of the Board came to present the preliminary 2019 budget and to request a subsidy to be entered as a line item dedicated for books and materials of \$15,000. They explained that the bond payment had another two and a half years to run and government and grant funding has been steadily decreasing. This year the necessary HVAC project did not receive a grant and so the Board is using reserves to fund it. It is anticipated that the next major outlay will be a new roof and the Board is attempting to stay under the 2% budget cap while maintaining services. A vote to approve this funding was moved by Lynne Oudekerk and seconded by Dinah Farrington; it passed unanimously.

Jill Dugas Hughes presented a Grant Progress Report. The First Annual Winter Reading Program was not as big a success as expected, so here probably won't be a second. The books purchased as prizes will be used in the Summer Reading Program, which will be starting soon. The website has a full list of programs.

More than ten new vendors have joined the Farmer's market, which will include live music performances and food carts.

The Museum Pass program is in process; 27/28 either have been renewed or will be renewed and 5 new passes (providing admissions to 9 more museums) have been purchased.

Two new periodicals have been added to the collection and renewals for others are in process. The Popular Juvenile Collection has been decided on and will be ordered soon; it will also include more of the popular Launchpads. Multiple Copies of Adult Popular Titles and a new collection called "Hot off the Press" is in process. In the first 13 days of the new collection, 89 items were circulated.

The Disc Repair machine is in use and working beautifully.

The Outreach Crates program will be resurrected this Fall when the newly hired Youth Services part time person will have time (after the Summer Programs have finished.)

Fish tank maintenance is ongoing.

Next Friends Regular Meeting: Sept 18, 2018 at 6:30 PM

Submitted by Kate Hafner