

NPL Friends Meeting

May 09, 2016

Attendees:

Judy Blacheck

Diane Aiello

Carole Barker

Sue Carey

Carol Eyman

George King

Next meeting: June 13 (No meeting in July)

Review of April minutes: Approved

Treasurer's Update & Petty Cash: Approved

Used book sales 489.63

Dues 10.00

Donations 21.13

520.76 TOTAL

TOTAL WITHDRAWALS – 4,911.15 (3,000.00 for 2016 BTB Deposit)

The State of NH report NHCT-2A mailed on 5/4/16.

- Checkbook balance: \$27,490.63
- Funds in MM: \$13,192.88
- PayPal: \$395.00 (\$295 remaining Facebook Advertising / \$100.00 account maintenance balance)
- Review petty cash balance: no change
- TAXES – filed, and received by state

Membership: 152

Infrastructure Update:

- Nashua North Reading Teacher Request: looking for books to use in book clubs – we will donate from existing stock

- VHS tapes – We will stop accepting – Carol will change web site and update desk staff
- Locked Area – Do not use aisles 10 & 11 (being used by other party)
- Ukulele Donation – Michael Chung has donated two ukuleles (through Friends) with books to circulate. Ukuleles will begin circulating after staff learns how to restring

2017 Beyond the Book Discussion – to continue next meeting
Should Beyond the Book Continue and if so, in what form – format
Open Questions/Suggestions:

- What else could the Ella Anderson Grant be used for?
- Explore lower cost authors
- Shorten selection process
- Could we/should we, book authors ourselves, not going through agent
- Add survey into weekly library email?

Library Update/Director's Update (Carol Eyman)

- Construction bid documents are in the city's risk management office, will go to bid next
- Early Childhood Fair – successful
- Edible Book 12 entries, 100 votes
- Kathy is starting a 1000 Books before Kindergarten Program, Parents given reading sheets and rewards for finishing each sheet as they work towards reading 1000 books before their child enters kindergarten.
- Silver Knights Reading incentive program
- June 23rd Concerts begin
- Fish Tank in Children's Room being taken out
- No computer classes during construction – more hours of drop in help
- "Book a Librarian" (for ½ hr.) Program beginning June 1st
- June 3rd Friday, opening late (12:30) for staff training in a.m.
- This year Friends will be listed as a Platinum Sponsor of Summer Fun
- Newsletter Mailing Labels needed for May 23rd

Financial requests/grants - NONE

2016 Nashua Reads update –

- Need to make tickets by June 4th – Carol E. has sent info to Bruce and submitted information to Meerkat,
- Contract has been signed, and waiting on signed copy
- Check has been cashed,
- Carole B is in touch with Toadstool

Miscellaneous – We encourage you to support the retired teachers' plant sale on June 4th as they always help us with our book sale