

NPL Friends Meeting

August 14, 2017

Attendees:

Diane Aiello
Jill Angel
Carole Barker
Judy Blachek
Sue Carey
Carol Eyman
George King
Margie Morse

Next meeting: September 11, 2017

Review of June minutes: Approved

Treasurer's Update for June & Petty Cash: Approved

- Daily used book sales, book flip/memberships, grants, donations: \$566.49
- Checkbook balance: \$30,585.44
- Funds in MM: \$8,214.58
- PayPal: \$50
- Review petty cash balance: \$135.35
- AI: We agreed to roll our Money Market account into our checking account

Membership:

- 163 as of August 14, 2017
- Jenifer is resigning at end of the year, so we will need to find a new Membership Chair

Infrastructure

- PayPal – Facebook will not accept our card anymore; we need PayPal for memberships and for Facebook advertising (the membership account is still set up under Ken's name); Solution – load a specific PayPal account and draw off of that. **AI: Judy will contact the bank**
- Friends logo contest – school is about to start so it is time to move forward on this project; we will form a team: So far it is Sue (also Judy, Carol, and Margie?) AI: **Carol will request library staff involvement**
- Fundraising idea – many charitable organizations in the city use Boston Billiards and The River Casino for fundraising through those establishments proceeds from gambling; the organization gets a specific night and staff attends to handle some tasks; we take a percentage of the proceeds (businesses need to offer this to non-profits to stay in business). We agreed to pursue this idea.
- Comic Fest – Judy came in and put books out; we made 75 cent. Next year we will just have a table or we won't participate.
- Our annual Meeting on Monday, November 13

- Program: Stephen Collins as Walt Whitman (fee is \$350 and we authorized an extra \$100 to cover it)
- There is now a mini fridge in the Friends room; thanks Judy!
- Larry put up our new shelf unit
- Hunt Library Chairs – **AI: Carol will ask if chairs can be donated to the Nashua Historical Society**

Library Update – Carol Eyman

- New staff members, part-time reference librarians Alex Estabrook and Theresa Webster
- New part-time janitor starting next week, Jared Poliquin
- New part-time security guard - Christine Welch
- Library has no eclipse glasses
- Comic Fest had about 500 people; next year it will be on June 23 with some simplifications
- Summer Reading Program – 230 registered so far for Teen Summer; 211 for kids; 186 for adult
- Back to School Night is Thursday, August 24
- Little Free Libraries – 8 will be installed by August 30; BAE is a sponsor and United Way is involved
- Food for Fines in June – if you had fines for the last 2 weeks in June, you were forgiven if you brought in a food item for End 68 Hours of Hunger
- Co-working on Court – starting September 8, the library will open up the activity room on Fridays as an area for people to work remotely
- Working with League of Women Voters and Telegraph to hold forums at the library for the candidates for Board of Aldermen and Board of Education for forums for municipal voting
- Human Library Program – Carol is looking into holding an event this winter similar to the Human Library (started in Denmark), people are books and people get to talk to the person/book; helps to understand people who are different from you; 1:1, Billerica and Goffstown did it.

Financial requests/grants

- Laszlo Gardony Jazz Trio for Holiday Stroll – request for \$800; approved
- Ella Anderson grant – resubmitting again this year; agreed to ask for \$7000
- Teen Reading Program – Judy will work with library staff to resolve funding question

2017 Nashua Reads Update

- Ticket sales – still slow
- Will begin tasks in our master list (MM – ask Carol for author pic and send request for volunteers)

Miscellaneous – meeting on Tuesday the 10th in October

Action Items

Sue Carey	Contact teachers re: logo contest
Judy and Carol	Set up PayPal account
Judy	Contact the bank re: PayPal
Judy	Write up policy for admittance to library pre-Friday night Preview
Judy	Handle specially priced Catlin book
Margie	Send request for volunteers for Beyond the Book

