NPL Friends Meeting

June 12, 2017

Attendees:

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

Next meeting: August 14, 2017 (NOTE: NO MEETING IN JULY)

Review of April minutes: Approved

Treasurer's Update April and May & Petty Cash: Approved

Note: Diane made the following corrections to previous reports: Corrected the December 2016 Treasurer report and Year End Income Statement as there was an unexpected deduction of $7.50 taken by the credit card service Clover (FDMS). This changed the 2016 year end figures and therefore the beginning year figures for 2017. Also corrected a credit of $10.31 donation by Amazon Smile which was in February 2017. Therefore, also had to correct the January, February, and March reports accordingly.

- Checkbook balance: April - $28,910.12, May - $25,563.61
- Funds in MM: April - $13,211.29, May – 13,211.29
- PayPal: $50 (Both)
- Review petty cash balance: $135.35

Membership:

- 161 as of June 12, 2017

Infrastructure

- PayPal – Facebook will not accept our card anymore; we need PayPal for memberships and for Facebook advertising (membership one is still set up under Ken’s name); Solution – load a specific PayPal account and draw off of that. AI: Carol and Judy will set up account
- Logo contest – (placeholder for discussion in a future meeting)
- Book sale review
  - Friday night policy – we were a little confused that night regarding admission to library once it was closed and giving out numbers; we will write up policy and put in the minutes
March vs. April timeframe – March is a much better month to hold the sale
Lawn sign update – Judy believes we need to order more due to “lost” signs
Specially priced Catlin book – Al for Judy

Sorting room details – we can now get into the back and have a much larger area for sorting

Library Update – Carol Eyman

Little Libraries – Jen wants to buy 6 of them to put around the city and fill with donations; maybe get high school students to stock them (adopted by people in the neighborhood), or friends; Sue Carey said she’d share info with Fairgrounds
Friday June 16 the library is open at noon due to staff training – Family Place Library
Thank you for helping with book retreat – it went very well, had 21 people, food was great
Carol is looking into doing 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; apply to Denmark to get license to do it
More sculptures on plaza for a few months to replace kitchen table display that was damaged
Rescue dog operation – person came to talk about it, Toadstool sold books (5)
Computer classes taught again; Internet safety class for people with disabilities, and also held a Facebook
As part of its “My Brother’s Keeper” initiative, the city is opening a community center in the fall near the Dr. Crisp school. The library will have a presence there including items to check out, storytimes, and other services.

Comic Fest (July 22)

Ramen noodles sales – library staff wanted the Friends to have a table and sell noodles, but we decided this effort did not fit our charter
Book sales – set up table with appropriate selections to sell, or just set up a shelf that is not manned, or stock the BookTique
Who can do this? Maybe Sue Carey; but not sure

Chandler Wing Ideas

Blinds for Northwest corner room – need to research type, cost, process (contact Jennifer McCormack) – Carol reported on research and 2 bids for blinds that go up and down remotely. Window Fantasies $2260 vs. Ferman’s $1475; WF offered a 5 year warranty on motor; no info on warranty from Ferman’s; can we override the motor? Ask more questions to get sense of who would be better.

Financial requests/grants -- None

2017 Nashua Reads Update

Ticket sales – 0 sold at time of meeting
Announcement went well
Books are being taken out
We discussed putting a ticket in one of the books (Golden ticket)

**Miscellaneous**

- July meeting – cancelled
- Old office chairs – handy in sorting room for moving around/sitting
- Entertainment for our Annual Meeting – we need to think about identifying and reserving a program *Al for Carol and Judy*

**Action Items**

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