NPL Friends Meeting (Zoom meeting with Board and key members)

June 8, 2020

Attendees:

Jill Angel
Judy Blachek
Sue Carey
Carol Eyman
Vickie Hill
Margie Morse
Michelle Podsiedlik
Jenifer Smith

Next meeting: July 13, 2020 (Zoom)

Review of May meeting minutes: Approved

Treasurer’s Update for May 2020 & Petty Cash: Approved

- We received two more donations of $100 and $50
- We have approximately $33,000 in assets

Membership:

- 134 as of June 8, 2020

Infrastructure Update

- The Booktique is gone – it is being used to hold curbside deliveries
- Shelves in the Friends room – the library is using one of the big shelves to use in the Teens area
- Donations are not being accepted right now
- Toward the end of June we may be able to go into the Library to work in our sorting room
- We approved up to $600 to buy new carts; we also want to ask Ryan to measure the elevator door height to see if tall carts will fit (if we do an outside sale)
- An outside summer sale is a possibility; would sell just fiction
- Summer author virtual presentation – Ted Reinstein on Tuesday, August 18; we will provide a link to Toadstool for purchasing his books, unless he wants to sell them himself

Director’s update (Carol Eyman)
• The book drops opened May 18.
• On June 1 we began offering curbside pickup for items that customers have placed on hold.
• Current hours of staff are Monday to Thursday, 9am–7 pm; Friday and Saturday, 9am–2 pm. Curbside pickup hours are Monday to Thursday from 10 am–7 pm and Saturday from 10 am–2 pm.
• Reopening depends on a continued decline in the infection rate and the availability of PPE for staff. First steps would be allowing a limited number of customers in the building at a time for browsing new materials and maybe computer use by appointment.
• Tina Lozeau is retiring July 11 and Susan Willmore is retiring June 30.
• Pages were laid off, but we hope to be able to rehire them once we return to a full schedule and regular programming.
• Plaza renovation project status: Last week the aldermanic budget review committee removed funding for the project that had been included in the budget request of the community development director, but we had expected that to happen. We’re still working on identifying another funding source and are hopeful some construction could start in the fall.

Financial Requests/Grants

• Zoom account for Library’s use – we approved funding this in email for up to $500

2020 Nashua Reads virtual presentation update

• The announcement of the title comes out June 26 through library communication channels; it will include a video introduction from the author (Carol provided a script)
• We will again have the interview format with Lisa Allen and the author for the event

Miscellaneous details:

Action Items

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