

Friends of the East Kingston Library

Minutes of the April 5, 2019 Open Board Meeting

Call to Order and Commentary:

The meeting was called to order by the President at 4:31pm at the Pound School Building. The following members of the Board of Management were present:

- Lisanne Cozart. President
- Jennifer Tode, Treasurer
- Mary Ryan, Secretary

Friends Members and Library Trustees in attendance:

- Gisela Lloyd
- Juliana Clark
- Jeanne Furfari
- Sharman Cohen
- Tracy Waldron – Library Director

Regular Reports

A quorum was not established for this meeting.

The January 25, 2019 Annual Meeting minutes were moved to approve waving their reading and one correction needed was noted. The motion was approved as amended. Copies were distributed to members present.

Jennifer presented and summarized the Treasurer's report. These were accepted as submitted. Copies were distributed to members present. Some points mentioned in her summary were our upcoming dates for Charitable Gaming fundraising are May 6 and 7 and Juliana will sign on behalf of the Friends, Flatbread Fundraising night is October 15, Sharman Cohen offered discounts for any purchases through Wayfair, the Library Wish List has been completed with the exception of a bookcase. Tracy will take the lead on this. Museum passes are being paid as they come in. Also noted was the Peabody Essex Museum's annual cost. It is expensive, so Tracy will look into the usage and value of this annual pass.

Lisanne talked briefly about having sales at the Used Book Store. Volunteers should feel free to make a deal with shoppers to sell and move more books.

Tracy spoke about upcoming programs at the Library. Zoe has requested to hold a Bake and Book sale at the library in August. During the discussion it was mentioned that a Book, Bake and Craft Fair would be nice. Lisanne said that she would talk with Heidi Corson from Down to Earth Garden Shop about another possible event where books become planters.

A member asked about more shelving in the Used Book Store, and it was explained that the town will not allow any additional shelving.

One of the recent programs offered by the Friends, Cookies by Kelli, was a big hit. On April 16, there will be a floral arrangement class, a quilt program April 30, Ask a Muslim sometime in May. An upcoming program will be scheduled prior to Mother's Day. Spirit Wise Herbs and Wellness dropped into the Library to discuss the possibility of a class, and a gentleman that plays the vibraphone was interested in performing at the library. It was noted that musician events have not be well attended in the past.

The Summer Reading Program is titled, A Universe of Stories. The Kickoff Party will be done by the Librarians. Star Wars will be the theme of the End Party. Tracy asked for \$1000 to fund the Summer Reading Program. The Friends will pay for each of the program as they occur and the End Party, which will be held on July 27. Some of the programs offered during this session are: Center for Wildlife, Museum of Science Blizzard program, the Turtle Lady, Hampstead Stage Company, Imagarena, and Trickling Falls.

The Open Board Meeting of the Friends adjourned at 5:22pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Mary Ryan, Secretary