

Friends of the East Kingston Library

Minutes of the January 19, 2018 Membership Meeting

Call to Order and Commentary:

The meeting was called to order by the President at 3:05 pm at the Pound School Building. The following members of the Board of Management were present:

- Ted Lloyd, President
- Gisela Lloyd, Treasurer
- Lisanne Cozart, Book Shop Director
- Mary Ryan, Secretary

Friends members in attendance

- Jennifer Tode
- Juliana Clark
- Gretchen Graziano
- Edward Condon
- Sandra Darroch
- Priscilla Carlson
- LeVaun & JC Hinton

In addition, Conrad Moses a Library Trustee, and Tracy Waldron the Library Director were in attendance.

A quorum was established, which allowed us to proceed with the agenda for the meeting.

Ted welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the board and nominees for the new board.

Ted spoke briefly about his involvement with the Friends and thanked Tracy Waldron, the nominees, Gisela, the Library Trustees, the Book Store volunteers and the membership of the Friends.

New Business:

Ted summarized the Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017. A motion was made to accept, seconded and voted on by membership. The Treasurer's Report was accepted unanimously.

Gisela then spoke about the Treasurer's accomplishments since 2008. Great strides were made through her efforts, and the funds grew from in the hundreds to into the tens of thousands. Gaming, raffles and the Bookstore brought in the largest revenues each year.

Juliana Clark asked about the Gaming, and about signing in at the Casino on behalf of the Friends.

Conrad Moses and Juliana are currently permitted to sign along with Gisela. Jennifer and Mary offered to be added to the list.

Ted presented the slate of officers for 2018.

Lisanne Cozart, President

Jennifer Tode, Treasurer

Mary Ryan, Secretary

Juliana motioned that we accept the slate as presented. JC Hinton seconded. All members unanimously voted to accept the slate as presented.

Ted turned the meeting over to our new President, Lisanne.

Lisanne presented a list of strategic goals and objectives for the Friends:

Improve communication between Trustees, Library and Friends

Increase programming at the Library

Improve Book Shop visibility through advertising in local papers and through the schools

Invest a portion of the funds in order to receive higher interest.

Seek new members. Many new families have moved into town and have not yet been contacted by the Friends.

Have fun.

Ted motioned to accept her goals and objections. It was seconded and accepted by the members.

Juliana asked if Lisanne was planning to stay on as Book Store Director, and Lisanne explained that was discussed before she decided to take on the Presidency. Lisanne is very willing to retain the responsibility.

The Budget for 2018 was presented by Gisela. A motion was made to transfer \$10,000 into the Long Term Development Fund. It was seconded and approved.

Conrad Moses informed us of the upcoming NH Library Trustees Conference that will be held in May. The Friends of the Library can join. The cost of a membership is \$30.00. He highly recommended attendance, as there are always workshops that could be beneficial to the Friends.

Gisela asked to go on record opposing a section of the October 20, 2017 Board Meeting minutes, saying that neither she, or Ted, are opposed to the use of a Square, or buying an iPad for use at the Book Shop. For the record, these minutes have not yet been accepted by the Board as there has not been a Board Meeting since the minutes were distributed to the Board in December.

Juliana requested that a step stool be purchased for use at the Book Store. After some discussion of the style that would best suit their needs, Lisanne offered to order one.

Lisanne thanked Ted and Gisela for the time and efforts on behalf of the Friends. Gordon thanked them, as well, on behalf of the Library Trustees.

With all business complete, Lisanne asked for a motion to adjourn. Juliana motioned we adjourn, Gisela seconded, all members voted in favor.

The Annual Meeting of the Friends adjourned at 4:19 pm.

Submitted:

Mary Ryan, Secretary