

Friends of the East Kingston Library

Minutes of the September 14, 2018 Open Board Meeting

Call to Order and Commentary:

The meeting was called to order by the President at 4:07 pm 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

- Gretchen Graziano
- Steve & Louise Kemball-Cook
- Gisela Lloyd
- Juliana Clark
- Jeanne Furfari
- Betty Leach
- Edna O'Connell

Regular Reports

The May 18, 2018 Board Meeting and the April 8, 2018 Special Meeting minutes were moved to approve waving their reading. The motion was approved without objection.

Jennifer presented the Treasurer's report and the Fundraiser report. These were accepted as submitted.

Used Book Store report was given by Lisanne. The new shelf stacker reshelved the books in alphabetically order by the Author's first name. Bookstore volunteers offered to assist in correctly reshelving. There was a brief discussion about book bags, and if we should reorder them to have available for sale. There was a suggestion to help move the bags we currently have in inventory by promoting Buy a Bag for \$5 and fill it for free.

In the absence of Tracy, Lisanne informed us of some of the programs to be offered at the library: 209 children participated in the Summer Reading program. The end of Summer Reading Program culminated with a Harry Potter Party. The expenses for the party were a little high than originally anticipated, but it was a huge success. The Self Defense program did not have a good turnout, but was well done and appreciated by those in attendance. The Quilt Raffle winner will be drawn after the November election, at a time to be determined. New programs that are scheduled at the Library are:

Furry Animals on September 18th, The Mentalist on October 9th, Marina Hust's Flight of Remembrance on October 24th, which is being presented through a grant money, and Gateway to the Paranormal on Oct 30th. Tracy has asked if we thought anyone would be interested in an adult Maker's Night. There were a few suggestions by the membership present at the meeting: Salad in a Jar, Essential Oils, as long as the focus was educating us and not on sales of the oils, felting, scarf making offsite at Exeter Fine Arts. The Friends would be the sponsor for the events, whichever is selected. Also, there was the question about the date of renewal for the Libraries Domain name. Gisela offered to look into it. WOW Library, an email service for \$375 per annual subscription, with 10 libraries participating and splitting the cost of \$3750. It is a third party service for notification of new books, etc. Sign up is through the library. Gisela mentioned the need for a new couch at the Library. Lianne will look into ordering one. A few furniture stores were recommended by the attendees. We had \$2000 budgeted for this purchase. The 3D printer at the Library has not had much usage. More advertising of its availability may bring more interest.

Old Business:

None mentioned

New Business:

Juliana asked for new paperwork for the USB

The Open Board Meeting of the Friends adjourned at 5:10pm.

Submitted:

Mary Ryan, Secretary