Friends of the East Kingston Library

Minutes of the February 16, 2020 Annual Meeting

Prior to the meeting being called to order, we held the drawing for the American Express gift card. All members joining/renewing before January 1, 2020 were eligible for the drawing. It was won by Jennifer and Peter Dervan.

Call to Order and Commentary:

The meeting was called to order by the President at 2:12 pm at the East Kingston Public Library. 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

- Sharman Cohen
- Sherry Castle
- Gisela Lloyd
- Kim Pirger
- Jeanne Furfari
- Marilyn Drew
- Tracy Waldron – Library Director
- Zoe Sucu – Library staff member
- Conrad Moses – Library Trustee

Regular Reports

A quorum was established for this meeting.

The January 25, 2019 Annual Meeting minutes were moved to approve waving their reading. The motion was approved without objection. Copies were distributed to members present.

Copies of the minutes of last open board meeting held on November 1, 2019 were distributed to members present. No vote to accept these minutes was held, as that should occur at the next open board meeting.

Jennifer presented the Treasurer’s report and the Fundraiser report. These were accepted as submitted. Copies were distributed to members present.

Jennifer provided us with the 8 remaining days that we have at the Ocean Gaming Casino for 2020.
March 16 (Sherry will sign), May 15, 16, 17, July 4, 27, 28, August 19

There was a discussion about communication to the town about Library events, Friends events, and updates in general. Marilyn Drew volunteered to be our Communications Directors.

There was a general discussion about opportunities for fundraising by the Friends. The new board will consider the suggestions.

The library report was given by Tracy. There are many maintenance issue to be addressed at the Library, one being service needed on the fireplace. Tracy informed us that the Library’s operating budget was left off the East Kingston town budget. Tracy is scheduled to meet with the town’s selectmen to address this issue this week.

Election of Officers

The slate of officers for the 2020 Board of the Friends of the East Kingston Library was presented:

- Lisanne Cozart. President
- Sherry Castle, Treasurer
- Sharman Cohen, Secretary

The motion was made to accept the slate by Marilyn Drew, and seconded by Mary Ryan. The slate of officers, as stated above, were voted on unanimously.

Prior to this meeting, Carol Powers had contacted Lisanne about her interest in managing the Used Book Store. Lisanne will send out the March 2020 schedule for UBS volunteers.

At this time, the 2020 Board of the Friends of the East Kingston Library appointed Carol Powers as Director of the Used Book Store and Marilyn Drew as Director of Communications.

The Annual Meeting of the Friends adjourned at 3:21pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Mary Ryan, Outgoing Secretary