

Friends of the East Kingston Public Library

Q4 Meeting Minutes

19Dec2024/ 05:00 PM / 47 Maplevale Rd. East Kingston

Attendees

- Aine Cronin, Stacy Friedman, Carol Powers, Nikki Cutler, Sherry Castle, Susan Sheesley, Zoe Sucu, Robert Mincucci



Agenda

1. Call to order - 5:15pm and Commentary

2. Regular Reports

- Approved minutes from October 2024 meeting
- Used Book Store Report
 - Over targeted goal
 - Will need a new open flag
 - Will also work on making posts shareable.

3. Library Update

- Boxwood event was a hit
- PayPal access?
 - Sherry to reach out to previous board members.
 - Need a paypal account to access money from Powell books

4. 2024 FoEKPL budget

- Motion to approve a increased budget under general expenses for “other”. Increased from \$250 to \$350 for a “treasurer’s” laptop
- A playground was discussed for after school program, but with insurance and inspections and overall cost of build, it is not in the budget at this time. It was discussed that we would keep the current “furniture” budget to hopefully remodel the Library’s back offices. It is in dire need of storage.
- Motion also approved to increase equipment budget from \$1,000 to \$1,500 for the purchase of chrome books. For after school program, research, and other programs.
- 2024 budget modified and approved.

5. Old Business

- Fundraising Discussion
 - Ocean front gaming- need to fill out new paperwork Aine to work with Sherry
 - Still on the waitlist for the Brook
- Annual Elections - Current Vacancies & Vote
 - All positions nominated and voted in
 - Secretary: Stacy
 - President: Aine
 - Treasurer: Susan
 - Communications Director: Nikki
 - PUBS Director: Carol
- Membership Drive
 - A bit delayed but sent out 09Dec.

6. New Business

- Winter Social -thank you meet the friends
 - Saturday 15Feb2024 1-3pm
 - Cookie swap
 - Look into Hidden Hollow Farm for hay rides?
 - Snacks and drinks
 - 3 or 4 raffles (kids, teens & adults)
- Quilt Raffle pulled tonight!
 - Congratulations Gretchen G.

7. Upcoming Dates

- Quarterly Meetings will take place at 5pm unless otherwise stated
 - Q1 - 18March2025
 - Q2 - 10June2025
 - Q3 - 14October2025
- Book, Bake and Plant Sale
 - 17May2025 10am-2pm
 - Raindate: 31May2025

8. Recap

- Action Items

Closed at 6:35pm