

Friends of the Library

Executive Board Meeting

October 29, 2015

Minutes

(Amended 1/11/16)

Present: Sarah Groleau (President), Donna Tung (Vice-president), Anne Cunningham (Treasurer), and Gay Mocerri (Secretary)

The meeting was called to order at 9:40 AM.

The minutes from the May 1, 2015 Executive Board meeting were approved with amendments. The minutes from the May 9, 2015 Board minutes were approved with amendments.

Anne Cunningham reviewed finances to date. The Friends have exceeded anticipated fundraising to date. Anne questioned the cost of the two requested conferences and suggested that conferences should be part of the employment package, therefore, part of the town budget.

Gay Mocerri will e-mail a meeting reminder for the November 14, 2015 Board meeting. She will also print copies of the Whistle Blower and Conflict of Interest policies for Board members to sign at the Board meeting.

[Note: At this point in the meeting, Gay Mocerri had to leave for an appointment and the minutes were taken by Donna Tung.]

To date no quarterly updates from the trustees have been received.

The usage numbers will be reviewed before a decision is made about renewals of any museum passes for next season. For this winter the Jackson Ski Touring pass will remain in place.

FOL will no longer work jointly with the FHS on their summer programs but will continue to work on their own fall and winter programs. However, they may assist with presentations by the NH Humanities Council.

The bake sale under the leadership of Judy Kucera was very successful and the final numbers will be available for the November Board meeting.

The book sale figures are above the budget projections. Claire Tracey and her committee have done an excellent job and the book room is in fine shape for the upcoming book sale during Freedom Rings in the Holidays. The "fulfillment by Amazon" participation program will be discontinued because the financial gains did not justify all the work involved with storing shipping etc.

The volunteer "Thank You" event was enjoyed by 30 plus people who attended and reviews were very positive. Perhaps it should be a budget line item for next year and also it was suggested a change of venue would encourage better mingling and socialization.

On December 6, the FOL is presenting "The Winter Cherries: Holiday Tales from Around the World" by Odds Bodkin at the town hall at 6:30 PM. It will be fund raiser with a suggested donation but no amount was specified.

FOL will participate in Freedom Rings in the Holidays with a book sale on Friday evening and again Sat morning Nov 20-21/15.

Sarah applied for and received a Thrivent "Action Team" Card. Anne will use it per the guidelines which Sarah will go over with her.

Sarah will put together her LYBNT letter for mailing before the year's end.

The FOL is still looking for new Board members and several names were suggested and these people will be approached before the November Board meeting.

Hopefully a second newsletter will be sent out to include the December 6 program, a request for a program chairperson, and mention of the Jackson ski pass.

There has been some interest in an Excel software class, and Anne would be willing to teach it if there is sufficient interest. This could be included in the newsletter. Anne also mentioned a new updated FOL information and email list which she will work on getting ready.

Respectfully submitted,

Gay Mocerri and Donna Tung