

NPL Friends Meeting

July 13, 2009

Attendees:

Diane Aiello
Carole Barker
Martha Barrett
Ken Bateman
Judy Blachek
Mark King
Marjorie Morse
Erin Powers
Liz Ullrich
Tom Woodward

Next Meeting: August 10, 2009

June Minutes: Accepted

Treasurer's Update: Accepted

Daily book sales: \$1127.31
Current balance: \$18,383.08
Petty cash balance: Unknown

Membership Update

As of July 13, 2009: 100 members

Infrastructure Update

- Brochures – need to print (500)
- IRS workshop – Diane Aiello and Kristy Donaghy attended and learned a lot regarding non-profit issues. In 2010, the threshold for non-profits will be raised from \$25,000 to \$50,000, before the non-profit is required to file the 990 or 990 EZ form. Under that amount will only require filing of the 990 N E-postcard as is now required by May 15 each year. Three consecutive years of not filing the 990 N e-postcard will cause loss of non-profit status.

Fundraising Update

- Avon suggestion – decided it was not a good fit for our charter
- Barnes and Noble community relations rep asked us if we want to do a book fair (we would get 15% of sales from purchases of anyone who mentions NPL); would need a committee, months to plan; would staff a booth that day at B&N; get Library Director's and Board of Trustee's perspective on this possibility. We all liked the idea and Judy will let B&N rep know.

Director's Update - NA

Financial requests/grants

- Request for additional book club books from Carol – *Skeletons at the Feast* book club book kit for up to \$200; approved
- From Author Event committee – NPL Friends Banner or Sign, request up to \$150; approved

Author Committee Update

- Requested funds for NPL Friends sign.
- Committees are being formed – lots of volunteers for set-up/clean-up; decided to make publicity/tickets/programs one committee.
- How do we handle the rug raffle? When do we do it? Suggestion - have Chris pull the name.
- Suggestion – save first 2-4 rows for Friends members.
- Need to come up with a name for the event.
- We will meet again before next month.

Miscellaneous

- Rotary West – asked if we wanted to apply for funds; we decided to wait until a larger specific item comes up (like East Wing)
- Margie will not be at August 10 meeting

Action Items

Team (Ken – will come up with ideas to start)	Set up membership drive committee in summer.
Judy and Erin	Work out how to handle the “opt out” option for members not wanting to receive a newsletter in the mail.
Judy Blachek	Let B&N rep know we are interested in book fair.
Ken Batemen	In process: Augment information pack for new library members to include Friends information.
	Check into creating a Google mail account for Friends and buying a Friends domain.
Carol Eyman	Send mail to book discussion groups about the author event.
Diane Aiello	Let the small 3000+ 3-month CD to just roll over for another 3 months since CD rates are not very lucrative at this time.
Margie Morse	Get brochure printed and posted to website.
	Contact insurance for additional members.
	Clean up dist list; compare with Ken’s version; work with Ken on new dist list method.