

NPL Friends Meeting

June 12, 2017

Attendees:

Diane Aiello
Jill Angel
Carole Barker
Judy Blachek
Sue Carey
Karen Corazini
Carol Eyman
George King
Margie Morse

Next meeting: August 14, 2017 **(NOTE: NO MEETING IN JULY)**

Review of April minutes: Approved

Treasurer's Update April and May & Petty Cash: Approved

Note: Diane made the following corrections to previous reports: Corrected the December 2016 Treasurer report and Year End Income Statement as there was an unexpected deduction of \$7.50 taken by the credit card service Clover (FDMS). This changed the 2016 year end figures and therefore the beginning year figures for 2017. Also corrected a credit of \$10.31 donation by Amazon Smile which was in February 2017. Therefore, also had to correct the January, February, and March reports accordingly.

- Daily used book sales, book flip/memberships, grants, donations: April (book sale) - \$8,699.45, May -\$ 444.99
- Checkbook balance: April - \$28,910.12, May - \$25,563.61
- Funds in MM: April - \$13,211.29, May - 13,211.29
- PayPal: \$50 (Both)
- Review petty cash balance: \$135.35

Membership:

- 161 as of June 12, 2017

Infrastructure

- PayPal – Facebook will not accept our card anymore; we need PayPal for memberships and for Facebook advertising (membership one is still set up under Ken's name); Solution – load a specific PayPal account and draw off of that. **AI: Carol and Judy will set up account**
- Logo contest – (placeholder for discussion in a future meeting)
- Book sale review
 - Friday night policy – we were a little confused that night regarding admission to library once it was closed and giving out numbers; we will write up policy and put in the minutes

- March vs. April timeframe – March is a much better month to hold the sale
- Lawn sign update – Judy believes we need to order more due to “lost” signs
- Specially priced Catlin book – **AI for Judy**
- Sorting room details – we can now get into the back and have a much larger area for sorting

Library Update – Carol Eyman

- Little Libraries – Jen wants to buy 6 of them to put around the city and fill with donations; maybe get high school students to stock them (adopted by people in the neighborhood), or friends; Sue Carey said she’d share info with Fairgrounds
- Friday June 16 the library is open at noon due to staff training – Family Place Library
- Thank you for helping with book retreat – it went very well, had 21 people, food was great
- Carol is looking into doing the Human Library (started in Denmark), people are books and people get to talk to the person/book; helps to understand people who are different from you; 1:1, Billerica and Goffstown did it; apply to Denmark to get license to do it
- More sculptures on plaza for a few months to replace kitchen table display that was damaged
- Rescue dog operation – person came to talk about it, Toadstool sold books (5)
- Computer classes taught again; Internet safety class for people with disabilities, and also held a Facebook
- As part of its “My Brother's Keeper” initiative, the city is opening a community center in the fall near the Dr. Crisp school. The library will have a presence there including items to check out, storytimes, and other services.

Comic Fest (July 22)

- Ramen noodles sales – library staff wanted the Friends to have a table and sell noodles, but we decided this effort did not fit our charter
- Book sales – set up table with appropriate selections to sell, or just set up a shelf that is not manned, or stock the BookTique
- Who can do this? Maybe Sue Carey; but not sure

Chandler Wing Ideas

- Blinds for Northwest corner room – need to research type, cost, process (contact Jennifer McCormack) – Carol reported on research and 2 bids for blinds that go up and down remotely. Window Fantasies \$2260 vs. Ferman’s \$1475; WF offered a 5 year warranty on motor; no info on warranty from Ferman’s; can we override the motor? Ask more questions to get sense of who would be better.

Financial requests/grants -- None

2017 Nashua Reads Update

- Ticket sales – 0 sold at time of meeting
- Announcement went well
- Books are being taken out

- We discussed putting a ticket in one of the books (Golden ticket)

Miscellaneous

- July meeting – cancelled
- Old office chairs – handy in sorting room for moving around/sitting
- Entertainment for our Annual Meeting – we need to think about identifying and reserving a program **AI for Carol and Judy**

Action Items

Sue Carey	Contact teachers re: logo contest
Judy and Carol	Set up PayPal account
Judy??	Write up policy for admittance to library pre-Friday night Preview
Judy and Carol	Annual meeting entertainment
Judy	Handle specially priced Catlin book