

NPL Friends Meeting

August 12, 2019

Attendees:

Jill Angel
Judy Blachek
Sue Carey
Carol Eyman
Vickie Hill
George King
Lara Moody
Margie Morse
Michelle Podsiedlik
Patti Rollman

Next meeting: September 9, 2019

Review of June meeting minutes: Approved

Treasurer's Update for June and July 2019 & Petty Cash: Approved

- Daily used book sales, book flip/memberships, grants, donations: June – \$958.85 , July – \$712.63
- DCU checkbook balance: June – \$5555.28 , July – \$4826.80
- DCU savings balance: June – \$38,584.30, July – \$38,597.38
- PayPal: (DCU) June – \$2113.44, July – \$2018.54
- Review petty cash balance: \$79.19

Membership:

- 214 as of August 12, 2019

Infrastructure Update

- Friends table cover and banner – due to an error on part of printer, we've wound up with two banners
- The Friends volunteered for 1958 hours in the last year, compared to the previous year's 1606.5. Some stats:
 - The 18 regular volunteers account for 1368 of those hours and the board alone accounts for 834.5 of those hours.
 - 47 other people came to help occasionally, mostly around the book sale, author event, and to volunteer for projects for Carol.
 - We had three volunteers from South's National Honor Society who selected us as their individual projects. They are Delaney Nelson, Alanya Telerski, and Ben Telerski -- they gave us 63.75 hours and were a great addition to the team!

- The National Honor Society for South provided 148.5 of the hours.
- The National Honor Society for North provided 118.25 of the hours.
- The three wonderful volunteers who regularly manage the Booktique volunteered for 372.5 hours.
- Summer author: Bruce Robert Coffin, Thursday, August 15, Toadstool will be coming to sell books
- East Wing construction plans
 - Contractor is starting on August 19 at 7am
 - Aug 18 & 25 workdays for Friends from 1:30 to 3:30 (18th into the theater and 25th out of the theater)
 - On August 25th someone has theater at 2pm, so we want to ensure everything is out of there (possibility of some people coming in Saturday the 24th)
- October meeting: Monday, October 21
- Annual meeting set for Sunday, October 27 at 2 pm
- No meeting in November or December

Director's update (Carol Eyman)

- The full-time Security guard is leaving August 22
- Two pages have left (Elexys and Lori)
- Angie is out on extended leave
- Kathy Bolton, the Children's Librarian, is retiring September 13
- Repairs were done to the ventilation system in Chandler Wing to help with AC
- The library is looking at new library catalog systems; the team has evaluated proposals and Jen recommends that we stay with the current system, but with updates/improvements, full integration of Overdrive, text messaging for notices, and true availability showing on results page

Financial requests\Grants

- Hannaford bags – a dollar goes to Friends (costs \$2.50)
- Additional musician chairs – request from Carol Eyman for \$130 for two more upright, armless chairs for musicians: APPROVED
- Newsletter incentive prizes – request from Carol Eyman for \$100 in incentive prizes to sign up for newsletter (gasoline, grocery store, etc.): APPROVED
- Staff gifts approved
- Time to apply for the Ella Anderson grant; we agreed on \$6000
- We voted by email to approve \$400 for Chunky summer reading ads

2019 Nashua Reads update (September 29)

- We will be getting a WWII trunk of artifacts from the museum in Wolfboro for display Image Gallery during Beyond the Book
- We will screen a documentary about the Ravensbruck concentration camp through Kanopy, the new streaming service available free to library in one of the small meeting rooms

Miscellaneous

- Michelle had the idea of providing a coupon when people renew (we decided to put it right on the fine forgiveness card) for \$1 to use at the big book sale

Action Items
