

## **NPL Friends Meeting**

September 12, 2022

### **Attendees:**

Jill Angel  
Judy Blachek  
Sue Carey  
Vickie Hill  
George King  
Sarah Leighton  
Jen McCormack  
Margie Morse  
Jenifer Smith  
Sarah Widhu  
Tom Woodward

**Next meeting:** October 10, 2022

### **Welcome and introductions**

**Review of August Minutes:** Approved

**Treasurer's Update for August:** Approved

Review updates only:

- DCU account balances total: \$61,385.05
- PayPal: \$1679.72
  - Need to have Facebook advertising deducted (Pam or Ashley will handle this).
- Petty cash: \$151.94 from June
  - We decided that we do not have a need for a petty cash account anymore; Jill will pick up remaining balance.

### **Membership:**

- 232 as of September 12 (compared to 181 last year at this time)

### **Infrastructure Update**

- September 17 – last pop-up of the year

- Need additional help (2 at 8:15 to 10:30).
- If you are on Facebook, Judy has posted the sale on Nashua, NH Civic Sounding Board, The Nashua Scoop, or Nashua,NH-Past, Present and Future comment. Share on your own page.
- Summer author: Kate Clifford Larsen review (Judy: she was fabulous!). Everyone agreed it was an excellent program and we'd like to have her back.
- Call for Nominations!
  - President, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Secretary
  - Jenifer Smith, our 1<sup>st</sup> VP, will handle this task. Email nominations should be sent to the board email.
- Annual Meeting – Sunday Nov. 20
  - Judy booked the British servant program – Your Life Downstairs: British Servant Culture in Fact, Fiction, and Film
  - Meeting/event will start at 2PM
  - Judy will create the annual highlights with help from Jill, Pam, & Holly
- We agreed on where to purchase staff appreciation gift cards; Judy requested the staff list on 9/8. The Board will write thank-you notes and have them finished by the annual meeting on November 20.

### **Director's Update – Jen McCormack**

- The Trustees meeting in October has been postponed to Tuesday, October 11th. At that meeting Design Lab will be presenting the final report of their facility assessment. They will make another presentation at a joint meeting with the Board of Aldermen on October 25th at 7 PM. Both of those are public meetings and the Friends are welcome to attend.
- The Trustees approved funding for furniture and equipment in the Teen and Children's rooms. Kat is creating a space in the Children's room to better serve "Tweens" (ages 9-11), relocating the parenting collection, adding comfortable seating and a nursing chair. The Teen room will also get comfortable seating and better furniture for their makerspace.
- In person computer classes are resuming this month, beginning with computer basics. By December all computer classes will be back in person in the computer training lab.
- The library will be part of Art Walk weekend this year, there will be 10-15 artists set up on the library plaza on Sept. 24 + 25.

### **Financial requests/Grants**

- Ella Anderson grant sent on September 2.

- Back drop for [stage](#): \$380.00 + \$150 for end caps +\$100 for lights for total of \$750 including shipping - APPROVED
- We approved \$2000 for Children’s Room: Youth Services has designed spaces for 0-18 years old and they requested funds for Asking for equipment .

**2022 Nashua Reads**

- Beyond the Book is Sunday, October 2: *Dark Tide* by Stephen Puleo.
- Event registration update – 100 so far.
- Will need a registration table in beginning of Chandler Wing to check in those who have registered.

**Miscellaneous**

A patron offered these comments on our Nashua Reads book selection:

I just wanted to thank you for the choice of the Big Read. I just finished *Dark Tide* and am so glad I had the opportunity to learn of this history. I had no idea!!! It was a great choice, and dare I say, timely, especially with the discussion of a possible asphalt plant coming to Nashua. Although I am not from the Nashua area, I thoroughly enjoyed this read. I hope to participate in some of the upcoming related events.

**Action Items**

Judy	Annual meeting slides
Margie	Send minutes for posting Contact InkLink Work with Pam on press release for Annual Meeting Program
Pam or Ashley	Set up deduction of Facebook advertising from PayPal account
Jenifer	Handle Board position nominations for Annual meeting
Board	Write staff thank-you notes