

Friends of the Lane Memorial Library

Annual Meeting Minutes

September 9, 2020

Attendees: Patt Walker, Mary Ertl, Mary Lou Heran, Julie Jefferson, Linda Freeman, Wendi Lewis, Cheryl Beliveau, Stacy Mazur, and Kris Sawyer. (Meeting conducted virtually due to Covid concerns)

Meeting called to order at 6:38 PM

Board/Director's Appointments: Following slate of officers/directors were approved for upcoming year:

President: Mary Lou Heran Vice President: Patt Walker Secretary: Kris Sawyer Treasurer: Cheryl Beliveau Directors: Julie Jefferson, Mary Ertl, Marilyn MacIntosh, and Wendi Lewis.

(Friends members voting to accept the slate of officers: Donna Boudrow, Emma Donnelly, Jim Brown, Kathe Lobdell, Mary Ertl, Connie George, Gary Patton, Randi Mulqueen, Bill Heggie, Marianne Torrisi, Rosanna Spizzurri, Elizabeth Ackroyd, and Celeste Plank)

I Minutes: Patt moved to accept minutes from August 12, 2020. Mary E. seconded. Approved and put on record.

II Officer's Reports:

President: Mary Lou thanked the members of the board for their dedication and support over the past year. She reported that Christine Bushway was stepping down as Co-Vice President and added that her contributions to the Friends were greatly appreciated.

Vice President: No report

Secretary: No report

Treasurer: Mary Ertl gave her last report as treasurer. Report was reviewed by board and put on file.

Membership: Julie reported that in September there were 2 renewals and 1 new membership.

There was discussion regarding memberships being down due to library closure and canceled book sales. Board will consider holding a membership drive in the future.

III Old Business

A. Vote to Approve Boston Children's Museum Membership: Mary E. made motion to renew membership to the museum for upcoming year. Julie seconded. Approved.

IV. New Business:

- A. Selling books to vendors: Request had been made by book dealer to purchase books independently due to book sales being canceled. Board decided to deny this request due to library being closed to volunteers. Kris will contact the book dealer to inform him of the decision.
- B. Library Update: Stacy reported that the reopening of the library has gone well. She has been working on scheduling virtual activities/programs for October and November including having “to go kits” for families to check out and speakers for a Voices of Color series. Mary Lou requested that perhaps the speakers (authors) could be linked to the Friends author series. Stacy recapped that the Summer Reading Program was a success, highlighting that the teen mini camps were very popular and that the adult program had garnered donations for the community food pantry. Board discussed with Stacy about possibility of having a book drive for donations and potential for online book sales. More discussion and details are needed on those topics.
- C. Newsletter: Mary Lou will put together a mini newsletter to highlight Friend’s accomplishments in the past fiscal year.

V. Upcoming Events: No events slated at this time

VI. Summary of Decisions Made:

1. Board voted to approve renewal of Boston Children’s Museum passes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:13 PM Motion to adjourn made by Kris and seconded by Cheryl.

Respectfully submitted

Kris Sawyer

Secretary