

FRIENDS OF THE LANE MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
MINUTES AUGUST 12, 2009

Attendees: Amanda Reynolds Cooper, Darrell Eifert, Connie George, Dot Gooby, Gloria Goudreau, Mary Lou Heran, Susan Hughes, Diane Keyes, Kris Sawyer, and Sandy Kent

The meeting was called to order by President Susan Hughes at 6:37 PM in the Dorothy Little Room.

I. Recording Secretary's Report

- A. Minutes from Board Meeting of July 1, 2009 were read. Correction noted that Kris Sawyer was not in attendance that night. Correction under spending requests: Connie made motion to renew the Museum of Science pass and Dot seconded motion . Kris Sawyer made motion to accept meeting minutes with the two corrections. Sandy seconded.

II. Officers Reports:

A. President

No formal report

B. Treasurer

Connie George presented a preliminary report.

She stated that Friends currently have \$14,557.34 in checking.

Connie further stated that Friends had had \$894.00 in income and \$1348.76 in expenses since last reporting.

Connie informed Board that she had opened a new CD at Ocean Bank for 9 mo. At 1.5 API and that she had invested a total of \$10,380 in that CD.

Connie requested a motion to approve funding for passes to the Peabody Essex Museum, the Children's Museum in Dover and The New England Aquarium. Total of three passes \$1175.00.

Dot moved to approve purchase of passes for all three museums, Gloria 2nd motion. All approved.

Darrell noted at this point that use of passes had almost doubled as of this date compared to last year's figures!

C. Membership

Pat Trionfo-Spitz was unable to attend. No report available.

III. Old Business:

A. Red Sox Raffle Update:

Diane Keyes reported that a total of \$1747 profit was made from this year's raffle. \$761 of that money was made selling at the 3 grocery store locations. Discussion regarding next year's raffle included such ideas as: suggesting Red Sox be approached to make a matching donation, get community leaders involved, use of decals to show support and perhaps have "prizes" for those locations that sell the most tickets. All agreed it was a successful fund raiser and to repeat next year.

B. Ernie Pyle Vote:

Connie asked for Board approval to pay \$250 for the Ernie Pyle Presentation. Diane made motion to do so and Dot seconded. Motion Passed unanimously

C. Eric Carle Quilt Framing Quote:

Pat was not present at meeting to update. Tabled until next Board meeting.

IV. New Business

A. Newsletter drop date not set. Should be 2 weeks before Annual Meeting. Sue will contact Debra.

B. Spending requests. No spending requests at this time.

C. Officers Slate for next year:

Sue reported that after contacting current officers, she had most positions filled. President: Sue Hughes VP: OPEN
Secretary: Lynn Goodman Treasurer: Connie George
Membership and Publicity: still uncertain. Pat and Casey are willing to help, but due to time restraints are requesting less responsibilities.

D. Job descriptions:

Conversation then revolved around more recruiting, possibility of splitting up responsibilities to more members; therefore not putting too much onus onto one or two people.

Suggestion made that an email be sent out to membership list, to encourage new people to help out. Darrell will look into membership software that might aid in making the task of Membership chair less daunting.

Possibility of creating a Membership Outreach Chair was brought

up in order to do more outreach to new members and to lessen the load of the Membership Chair.

Sue Hughes suggested to Board that until more active members are recruited, that the Friends concentrate on basic activities and fundraisers such as : Red Sox Raffle, Book Sales, Doll Clothes Sale, and Valentine Tea.

E. Date for Next Board Meeting: September 2nd 6:30 PM

F. Annual Meeting set for Oct. 7th (Wed) at 6:30 PM

Discussion that perhaps Annual Meeting be more of a celebration of the past year's events and a time to socialize than an actual meeting format.

G. Other

Amanda announced that new shelving was arriving next week that would increase current shelving capacity by 12%. She requested volunteers to help in reshelving books in the stacks. Volunteers needed 8/24 through 8/28. Email will be sent out to Friends membership list for volunteers.

Dot announced planning another doll clothes sale.

She will coordinate with Sandy and Paulina as to dates.

V. Upcoming Events

A. Twilight Book Club will be reading An Arsonists Guide to Writer's Homes in New England

Connie moved that meeting be adjourned at 7:50 PM Diane seconded. All agreed.

Respectfully submitted,
Kris Sawyer for Lynn Goodman

