

Friends of the Dorothy Alling Memorial Library

September 11, 2017

Meeting called to order at 7pm.

Present: Esther Perelman, Barbara Mieder, Joanne Arsenault, Shannon Hiltner, Jill Coffrin, Marti Fiske, Ann Park

Jill requested funding for a new computer for the children's area. The Rotary will also contribute to this project. The Friends voted unanimously to help buy a new computer.

We discussed the April family program and agreed that the animal programs have been very popular so Jill will research finding one for April, 2018.

Treasurer's report: Checking account: \$23,842.14, CDs: \$12,192.50 and \$10,302.55

Correspondence: Bill for the Book Page subscription ((\$324), and a bill for 25 new Book Sale t-shirts. The group discussed the idea of vests rather than t-shirts as they can go over a volunteer's own clothing and are more likely to be returned. Ann will look into buying vests.

Librarian's report: Carpet replacement requests have been sent out. There will be a walk-through for all vendors on September 14. Bids are due on 9/29. The Trustees will meet to select a bid.

There will be a Fairy Tale Festival in Killington for families that Jill & Sarah & Kristina will attend and have a booth.

The library hosted about 400 people for the eclipse viewing, had 670 people come through the door that day, and 150 requests for viewing advice. We are gearing up for 2024!

Fall Event: September 30th at 1pm. Friends should be at the library at 12:15 to help set up. We will have coffee (k-cups), cider, and cider doughnuts or doughnut holes for refreshments. Ann will get these supplies.

2017 Library Conference will be on 11/4 at Champlain College. Shannon will attend and the Friends will pay her registration.

Election of Officers: the current slate was nominated and seconded. Election will be before the October event. President: Joanne Arsenault, Vice-President: Shannon Hiltner, Secretary-Treasurer: Ann Park, Trustee Liaison: Barbara Mieder.

Holiday Decorating Party: December 2. Marcy & Flora will provide music again (\$100). Jill will organize the gingerbread house project and the Friends will pay for her expenses. We will discuss refreshments for this event at the November meeting.

The Friends agreed that it makes more sense for us to attend a Trustees meeting rather than them come to one of ours. Marti will let us know the date.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45. Next meeting November 6th at 7pm