

Friends of the Dorothy Alling Memorial Library

November 13, 2017

Meeting called to order at 7pm.

Present: Esther Perelman, Joanne Arsenault, Marti Fiske, Shannon Hiltner, Ann Park

Minutes of 9/11/2017 accepted.

Correspondence: 2 credit card offers which the group decided we don't want and a Thank You from Brian Goodwin(Trustee) for the work that the Friends do for the library.

Treasurer's Report: checking account: \$23,222.08, CDs \$10,329.82 & \$12,224.77

A patron donated to the library and his gift will be matched by his Retiree Program. Mart has submitted this application for the matching grant.

Librarian's Report:

Marti described the recent VLA conference and the Community Forum on Library Services which was held on 11/6/2017.

October Event:

The Daniel Webster talk was interesting with about 20 people attending.

New business:

Group decided to buy 25 vests with "volunteer" on the front and "Friend of the Library" on the back. Ann will order 5 large, 5 small, and 15 medium vests and get them labelled.

Holiday Decorating party of 12/2/2017 from 10:30-12:30. Marcy Hernandez will again be a strolling musician during this time. A Girl Scout troop will help with the gingerbread decorating activity which Jill will organize. The Friends will pay for supplies for this activity. We will have coffee and some light food for refreshments. Joanne will get the food and cream for the coffee. Ann will get the 2 trees for the outside planters.

Spring Event will be a presentation by VINS. The cost will be \$355.

Staff recognition: the group decided to honor staff who have served 5, 10, 15 years with a gift of \$10/year and a thank you card. Kristina's 5th anniversary is 11/13/2017. Kathy DeLuca's 5th is 2/6/2018. Kim Peine's 10th anniversary is 4/15/2018. Ann will get a card and the money to Joanne for each of these dates.

Brick Church Concert is January 12, 2018. The doors open at 6:30 and the concert is at 7. The Friends should be there by 6:30 with baked goods.

AC Moore fundraising offer: The Friends decided not to pursue this offer.

Debbie Roderer requested funds to increase the number of "Play Away" audio books from 6

to 8 a month because of this format's popularity. The group voted unanimously to fund this for the remainder of this fiscal year and through the 2018-2019 fiscal year in one lump sum of \$2,535.

Officer elections: The slate as presented was elected unanimously: President – Joanne Arsenault; Vice-President – Shannon Hiltner ; Secretary/Treasurer – Ann Park, Trustee Liaison – Barbara Mieder.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm. Next meeting: March 12, 2018 7pm