

Friends of the Dorothy Alling Memorial Library

July 8, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7pm

Present: Joanne Arsenault, Joan Cook, Marti Fiske, Adrienne Katz, Mary Lue Rodes, Barbara Mieder, Ann Park, Esther Perelman

Minutes of 6/3/2019 were approved.

Correspondence: Thank you for Facebook donations, Old 4th of July brochures/information.

Treasurer's Report: CD \$25,302.83 Checking Account: \$17,281.40

Librarian's Report: The library is using subs to fill in for Jill's retirement and for staff on vacation. The Town Manager and Trustees will start a search for a new Library Director on 7/15.

Tuesday July 16th is the Summer Reading Concert sponsored by the Friends.

Book Sale: The number of people buying books seemed to be down – perhaps the heat?

Suggestions for next year: Advertise "climate controlled"; keep the \$5/bag from 11-2; rent 1 more table for the gym; name tags for set up volunteers; more vests – 10 large and 10 ex-large; Saturday subs for the library for June; keep prices the same; sorters should stack books then fill boxes...otherwise boxes are packed haphazardly; clearly display the book prices in the Community Room for sorters – on the inside of the glass doors; limit the number of sorters to 25 and start by recruiting those who have been trained; continue to get boxes from Starbucks – start in May to stockpile (available on Monday afternoons – contact the store manager to ask for them); use floor fans from the school – one on the floor and one large black standing fan; include Shannon's thoughts about book donations with the Observer letter in the spring when we start asking for books; arrange for pallets from Lumber Liquidators to be delivered to the school before the sale.

New Business: The group discussed ordering and selling book bags. Adrienne and Ann will research different sizes and styles and we will continue this discussion at a later meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm

Next meeting: October 7, 2019 7pm