

Friends of the Town of Ballston Community Library Meeting Minutes

Date: 4/5/2022

Meeting called to order: By President Melia Gordon

Members Present: Rebecca Darling, Jenn Richard, Melia Gordon, Sue Thompson, Peggy Shaeffer, Donna Keegan, Tim Newell

Meeting Minutes:

Motion to accept minutes: Tim Second: Peggy

Treasurer's Report:

Starting total:		\$11,132.12
Deposits		
GiveButter	\$4,540.14	
Cash	\$60.00	
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Dues – Lyn Barber	\$5.00	
Donation Swan Stewart	\$150.00	
Melia LGBTQ Dues	\$10.00	
Thrift Books	\$59.19	
		\$16,046.45
Expenses		
Mail N More Boxes	-\$165.00	
Mail N More Dinner Brochures	-\$29.50	
Mail N More Tickets	-\$7.55	
BHBL School Lunch Program	-\$2,742.00	
MASS MOCA	-\$250.00	
Adirondack Experience	-\$75.00	
Starter Cash Raffle	-\$75.00	
The Wonder Room	-\$240.00	
Savings	\$3,759.43	
Interest	\$0.46	
TOTAL		\$16,222.29

It is time to file taxes. Tim will leave form at Library for Melia and Donna to sign.

Motion to accept treasurers report by: seconded by:

Old Business

BH Dinner fundraiser was a success. There was minimal work involved and we made \$1918.65, and if we choose to do something like this again, it will be easier as we have laid the groundwork. There was a question about who received the tips and how much was in the tips. Givebutter also asked us to give them a tip.

Spring fling – all setup in the main room. Ruta did a great job with the baskets. We have starter cash and tickets. They are recording the sales. Raffle will be on 5/21/2022

Book sale – May 19, 20 and 21. The library is not sure when we can accept donations because we do not have a place for them right now. Tim donated the conference room at his office if someone will drag the books to his office to get them out of the library.

Mini golf – motion to officially kill it for this year – Tim – Rebecca second.

Construction – The board of trustees will be making a decision on construction in the next week. One way or the other there will be a decision and we will know how to proceed. We need to fish or cut bait. We are in a holding pattern. Whether all the other parties make a move, if we don't have action, the board will postpone the project because we will run into summer reading. If it doesn't happen, we will have to put everything back and we will try to do it again in the fall.

New Business

Art Reception update: Per Jenn, because of construction, it is out in the main room. There will be a reception on Saturday, 4/9/2022. Sue made motion for \$150 for Melia to get individually wrapped snacks. Seconded by Donna. Friends will also have Mail N More print up more brochures. In years past friends have sold raffle tickets during the event. Donna and possibly Ruta will sell tickets. Reception is at 11:00.

Summer Reading – Kickoff will be at Elmer Smith town park. June 27, 2022 4-7. We need to try to dress in Theme. They are going with a pirate theme.

They want a food truck. \$250 to show up, if they do not sell \$500 of food, we make up the difference.

Face painting - \$225.

Crafts \$120

Music - \$500

Melia to do Yoga –

Therapy dogs –

Will start with Storytime at 4:00 – There were 100 people there for storytime last year because Rebecca is really good at her job. Do the friends want to sponsor the kickoff?

This will be officially a library event, but the friends will be sponsoring it.

Tim makes motion to spend \$1500 for summer reading kickoff event. Second - Donna

There is water and hot chocolate in the Friends closet. They will check it before putting it out.

Charlton founders day – new rep, Chris Casse is very enthusiastic. They want the friends to walk in the parade on Sunday June 5. Friends were also asked to do a booth on Saturday at the farmers market.

Friends are supposed to walk on Thursday June 9 in the BH Flag day parade.

We are going to try to use the same “float” in both parades if we can. There will be further discussion of this next meeting.

Christmas tree – There is a peace pole where we want to put a tree. There is a pine tree at the border of the Church and the library. When the time comes, we would like to ask the Church if we may decorate their tree instead of trying to plant a tree and nurture it by Christmas.

Motion made to adjourn at: 10:02am by: Rebecca, seconded by: Tim.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Stefanie Leshner

Just a note: No, things are not timestamped on zoom, so it is very helpful when you say the time!