

FRIENDS OF THE BEEKMAN LIBRARY
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 2017

OFFICERS , DIRECTORS, & MEMBERS PRESENT:

Irene Drugan, Rebecca Florance, Eileen Cunningham, Jane Straub, Kris Macdonald, Mickey Fraher and Arlene Vaquer.

STAFF PRESENT: Carol Fortier, Director

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm. Eileen moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting as corrected. Jane seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Rebecca reported that we have \$4,528.85 in checking, \$701.10 in savings, and \$125.18 cash on hand. July book sale made \$1,644.65 with \$250.02 in donations. She did not have the raffle amounts as yet for the Summer Fun basket which was June/July. The Giants Tickets raffle made \$1,019.00. We gave the Library a \$6,000.00 check as was agreed upon at our last meeting. Kris moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Irene and passed unanimously.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Carol told us that the Petitions were completed with well over 500 signatures. Information sheets were handed out with Petitions and an FAQ page will be on the Library website and in the E-Newsletter for Sept., Oct., and November. Carol is going to give us a easy explanation for our Facebook Page. Members should be ambassadors for the Budget Vote in November. Irene asked Carol if what we gave the Library for 414 funds would be enough.

Carol told us about 3 new programs the Library offers to patrons. One is a Birdwatching Kit, one is a Energy Efficiency Kit for Homeowners, and one is an Early Learning Development Kit. She explained that patrons can take these home the same as checking out a book.

Kris offered to put this info up on our Facebook Page.

Carol complimented us on our booksales.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Social Media Committee: We will use our Facebook page to promote the upcoming Budget Vote. Carol will give us something to use.

Book Sale Committee Report: We donated books to the Poughkeepsie PBA for their Kid's Day event and were thanked on the Dalton Farm Facebook Page.

Carol said the Poughkeepsie Children's Home needs books for teens 13-18 for their library.

The following dates for events were chosen:

October 15th is the Vendor Sale

October 28th is our Book Sale

November 4th (a Saturday) was chose for our Big Donation Day

Membership Committee: Arlene announced that she has 50% renewals for membership in July. We spoke about doing a Dalton Farm flyer with tear off for Membership.

Raffle Committee: August will be our "Back to School" Raffle.

We decided to purchase the Giants v Washington Redskins tickets plus parking from Tom Fraher for \$300.00. We would start selling these raffles right away and the drawing would be

at our Christmas Cookie Sale on Dec. 16th. Irene would do a vote via email to the Friends.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Prior to the start of the meeting, while we were waiting for members to arrive Eileen announced that she spoke with someone about the Patterson Book Sale which is going to be held on two weekends, Sept. 16-17 and 23-24. She will find out the times and then we'll see who would like to volunteer to go for donations.

Our next meeting will be held Tuesday, Sept.7, 2017 at 5:00 pm.

There being no further business,Eileen moved to adjourn, seconded by Irene. The meeting was adjourned at 6:12 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Kris Macdonald
Secretary