

FRIENDS OF THE BEEKMAN LIBRARY
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD MONDAY, MAY 1, 2017

OFFICERS , DIRECTORS, & MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dave Anderson, Eileen Cunningham, Irene Drugan, Rebecca Florance, Jane Straub, Jeanette Simone, Kris Macdonald, Marge Schwinn, Arlene Vaquer, and Lynn Adams

STAFF PRESENT: Carol Fortier, Director

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 5:00pm.

Irene moved to accept the minutes from the April meeting, seconded by Mickey and passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Rebecca reported that as of April 30th there is a balance of \$4,879.35 in the checking account and \$5 in the savings account. We had 140 shoppers at our April book sale with a total sales of \$2,035.00. Detailed Treasurers Reports are distributed at our monthly meetings by Rebecca.

Kris moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. It was seconded by Dave and passed unanimously.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Carol thanked the Friends for a great book sale. As a result of all of our efforts we should go upstairs and look at the beautiful new book cases, they are amazing. She reported that the proposed cell tower issue was now dead. Spirit is no longer interested in the location. Carol announced the hiring of two new employees. Theresa Genovese left last week for a new job. She will be missed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Book Sale Committee Report: With regard to signs, Dave said he was concerned that there were no signs put up in the LaGrange area. Rebecca has 11 signs in her car. There was a discussion about ordering steadier stands. Sign location discussion was tabled until the Book Sale Committee meeting to follow this meeting.

Our April customers were delighted with the home made cookies handed out to thank all of them personally for supporting our book sales. Customers were impressed with our organization and told us so.

Irene moved to limit any bake sales during our book sales to the Battle of the Books only. This was seconded by Kris and passed.

Arlene asked who would be available to work at our May book sale as many volunteers would be doing the Dalton Farm tag sale.

Lynn suggested that we the volunteers be recognized as "volunteers" by some sort of badge. Dave suggested that we purchase some sort of magnetic badge and Rebecca said she would look into this. Kris will make up stick on badges for the May sale. This was a good idea.

Membership Committee: Arlene said that about half of the April renewals have renewed thus far. We have 4 new members. She is looking at dates for putting up our membership table outside, etc. She will decided on dates then ask for volunteers for those dates. Carol suggested that there are 3 summer reading events and it would be a good idea to have our table there. Kris complimented Arlene on her hard work to get members to renew their memberships.

Raffle Committee: Jane gave a raffle committee update. The "Mother's Day" raffle basket made \$103. There will be an "Italian Basket" in May. Raffles will be sold upstairs before our May 20th book sale. June and July will have a "Summer Fun " raffle basket and will be raffled off at our July book sale. August will be our "Back to School" raffle and again in Sept. we will have a "Football/Tailgate" basket. Some sort of Christmas basket will be raffled in October. Mickey announced that we will have 2 pre-season Giants game tickets to raffle this year. The Steelers game on Aug 11th and the Jets Game on Aug. 26th. The drawing will be held at our July 22nd book sale. We will sell at both Stop and Shop and Shoprite as well as a Community Day. Kris will begin working on raffle tickets.

Social Media Committee: Irene asked if we could put some photos up on the Library website "link" for the Friends" We will ask Arlene to take care of that.

OLD BUSINESS: Rebecca will have the "Square" up and running for the May 20th book sale so that we can accept credit cards.

NEW BUSINESS: Jeanette announced the dates for the Pawling Book Sale this year and she will look into our getting donations on their last day.

There being no further business, Dave moved to adjourn, seconded by Marge. The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Kris Macdonald
Secretary