

FRIENDS OF THE BEEKMAN LIBRARY
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2017

OFFICERS , DIRECTORS, & MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kris Macdonald, Eileen Cunningham, Irene Drugan, Mickey Fraher, Jane Straub, Tony Capalbo, Rebecca Florance, and Nora Sweet

STAFF PRESENT: Carol Fortier, Director

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 5:07 pm. Eileen moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting as corrected. Mickey seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Rebecca reported that we have \$6,458.29 in checking, \$701.22 in savings, and \$132.48 cash on hand. August book sale made \$1,398.50. The "Back to School" raffle raised in \$269.00. Irene moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Kris. Passed unanimously. There was a discussion about writing another check to the Library as previously decided, we would turn over funds in June, Sept. and December. Rebecca would take care of this.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Carol announced that September is "Library Card" month. She and Kathy Reilly were outside Stop and Shop and signed up new members. She told us that the Battle of the Books, Middle School Team will be at the Dutchess Regional competition this Saturday. It is a Trivia competition between 6 counties. The High School team took 2nd place.

Carol discussed the 414 Budget and Vote. The Library's Print Newsletter goes out twice a year and it will be in mailboxes between October 1st and 3rd with budget information. Post cards are going out also the last week in October. Since the 414 Fund is our responsibility, Carol will let us know the total amount when she has it. There will be book marks upstairs on the circulation desk about the Library Budget vote, Carol will make sure we have some for our Oct. 28th book sale. Kris is going to get the information about the budget vote up on the FOBL Facebook page as well as the Dalton Farm Neighbors page encouraging voters to vote Yes on the Library Budget this year and referring them to info@beekmanlibrary.org for more information.

Carol said the Miss Joann and Marie are attending "Back to School" nights at the local schools to sign up Library Card Members.

Big Truck Day will be September 30th this year.

Carol announced that Kate and Wayne Munroe donated a corner stone for the Library. It has been installed already and is lovely.

Carol announced that the library patrons can now stream via Kanopy. There are over 30,000 videos.

The Library is also excited that patrons will be able to print wirelessly, even from home. They can remotely send print jobs to the library.

Lastly Carol reminded us about the Mid-Hudson Workshop coming up this October 5th. It's a good workshop about fundraising ideas.

Social Media Committee: None

Book Sale Committee Report: Irene announced that the book sales are going along as usual. Our Big Donation Day will be Nov. 4th. We need to advertise this. Sept. book sale signs will go up alone. The October signs will be for both the book sale and the big donation day. Separate signs will be put up along side the other signs for the Vendor Fair on Oct. 15th.

Membership Committee: Irene gave a report for Arlene in her absence. We have 61 current members with 13 renewals coming up in Sept. Nora suggested that instead of a gift certificate for free books we might possibly offer a gift certificate to "Adams" for instance. We will discuss and look into this.

Raffle Committee: Currently we are hosting two raffles. The Football/Tailgate Raffle basket is up on the circulation desk and it's a big hit so far. We are also selling the Giants v. Washington Redskins Game tickets \$5 each or 3 for \$10. Giants raffle tickets will be sold at both Stop and Shop and Shoprite in Sept.

Vendor Fair Committee: No report

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: After a discussion about the Library 414 Fund needing additional funds, Eileen moved that the FOBL agree to transfer funds to the 414 Fund above the \$400 that has already been put aside. Seconded by Jane. Passed.

Our next meeting will be held Monday, October 2, 2017 at 5:00 pm.

There being no further business, Rebecca moved to adjourn, seconded by Jane. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Kris Macdonald
Secretary