

BEEKMAN LIBRARY ANNUAL MEETING
Sunday, February 21, 2016
Beekman Library
Community Room

Meeting Called to Order:

Tom Kraft, President at 2:02 pm

Trustees Present, Tom Kraft, Bitsy Scigliano, Kate Monroe, Lynn Brickman, Julie Mirsberger.
Beth Ferguson, Ed Lieberthal, Breda Huvane

Trustees Absent: none

Pledge of Allegiance

Opening Remarks: Tom Kraft: Introduction of guests

Beginning our 51st year and 11th in this building
Staff and Director are what makes the library great
Strategic planning going forward
Recognized Friends of Beekman Library

Review Minutes of 2015 Annual Meeting:

Motion by Tom Kraft to skip reading of minutes, seconded by Bitsy Scigliano, approved unanimously

Treasurer's Report:

Beth Ferguson, Treasurer

Revenues and Expenditures

For year ending December 2015

Total Revenue	\$449,328
Total Expenditures	\$417,509
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ 31,819

Friends Report:

Presented by Dave Anderson, President

Presentation of donated funds to the library of \$8400

In the process of incorporating as a 501 (c) 3 which allows them to support the library while being a separate organization

Membership is growing

Director's Report: (On file in the library)

Carol Rodriguez, Director

Highlights:

- Thanks to the Friends
- Friend's Craft Fair on April 10 from 10:00 to 4:00
- Last year's 50th anniversary celebration a success with 4 events and support from community, Fire Department and Town of Beekman
- Grant allowed the automatic door opener to be installed
- Grant provided AED and training
- STEM and Minecraft programming extended
- Hired assistant director

- Children's programs included Spark Media, Math and Physics Exploration partnership, gardening program, pop up library with the Rec
- Digital magazines available
- 6th of 66 libraries in use of e-books
- Developing Long Range plan with focus groups
- New in 2016: Capital improvements include carpeting, wireless printing and digital training

Staff Recognition

Recognized for years of service

Corliss Campbell	1 year
Terry Connors	5 years
Irene Drugan	25 years

New Business:

Trustee Appointments, nominations and vote for officers

Tom Kraft, President
 Bitsy Scigliano, Vice President
 Beth Ferguson, Treasurer
 Lynn Brickman, Secretary
 Renewed as a trustee: Beth Ferguson

Bitsy Scigliano cast one vote for slate,
 Approved unanimously

Public Comment:

Barbara Zulauf, Beekman Supervisor

Thanked the library, was glad to be part of the 50th anniversary celebrations and looks forward to the continued support and cooperation with the Town of Beekman

David Anderson, Friends of Beekman Library President

Group is looking to expand

Question: Why are the Friends being incorporated as a 501(c)3?

Response: This makes it a separate charity from the library, which allows them to do an appeal for the library, be more robust on behalf of the library. It involves more organization with officers, minutes and a different tax status. Most libraries do it this way as well.

Adjourn Meeting:

At 2:35 motion by Bitsy Scigliano, seconded by Ed Lieberthal, approved unanimously

Respectfully submitted by Lynn Brickman