

FRIENDS OF THE BEEKMAN LIBRARY MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD JULY 11, 2023

OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, & MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jerry Balcom, Larry Korducki, Kris Macdonald, (Secretary), Barbara Rendich, (Vice President), Lynn Brickman, Irene Drugan, Marvelle Hondorp, Cliff Johnsen, Joan Korducki, Anne Marie Larkin, Jennifer Mihocko, (Treasurer), Jeanette Simone, Linda Sprance, Arlene Vaquer (President), and Mary Jane Zukowski.

STAFF PRESENT: Carol Fortier, Director of the Beekman Library

CALL TO ORDER:

Arlene called the meeting to order at 12:06 pm. Anne Marie L. moved to accept the June 6th minutes as distributed, this motion was seconded by Larry and passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Jen Mihocko distributed a detailed Treasurer's Report to the committee. We have \$1,712.74 in our checking account, \$11,034.96 in savings and \$163 Cash on Hand. A check in the amount of \$9,500.00 was given to the Library. (Carol F. thanked the committee for the check and their hard work)

To date we have given the Library \$17,000.00. Kris moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, the motion was seconded by Anne Marie L. and passed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Administrative

Staff who will be serving as passport agents have completed their training. We are waiting for the next step from the State Dept.

Funding Vote

The Petitions were accepted by the Board at the June board meeting. They are now being certified by the Town Clerk.

Programs

Summer Reading is off to a busy start with full programs and lots of traffic in the library.

Services

We have a new language learning program called Transparent Language. It is an excellent product. You can use it on your computer but they also have an app for tablets and phones.

New York Library Association Friends of Library Section

This year's conference is scheduled for November 2-4 in Saratoga Springs. There will be four programs that are specifically geared to Friends groups. Carol distributed a description of the programs.

Following Carol's report there was a brief discussion about the construction plans. Joan asked Carol if the library has gone out for bids yet. Carol told us that the plans will come in August.

LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING REPORT: None

FLS/NY REPORT: None COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Book Sale:

Arlene announced that so far we have made \$1400 from the "estate" books. She thanked the helpers who looked up all of the values for these books on Ebay. Arlene is still contacting dealers to come in to shop.

Reorganization Committee:

Because we were short for time at this meeting, Joan distributed a Reorganization Overview to the committee outlining the next steps. She reminded us that we need to have moved everything by October 1. Joan explained that following the July 20th book sale we will be moving a lot.

Membership: None

Fundraising:

Raffles:

The "Summer Fun" raffle basket made \$232

The "Patriotic Lottery" raffle basket will be up until the July 20th book sale.

The August Basket is the "Mom's Rescue Back to School" basket. It will go upstairs on or about the 21st of July.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Arlene is working on a patron FAQ regarding the construction plans that we will use eventually. If we have questions or patrons have questions let her know. We will be able to direct patrons to the Library website.

NEXT MEETING DATE:

The next meeting will be held on August 1 at noon.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:29 pm. Respectfully submitted,

Kris Macdonald Secretary