

## **Friends of the Horsham Library Board Meeting Minutes May 10, 2023**

The meeting was called to order by President Lynn Robinson at 7 p.m. Those attending: Lynn Robinson, Catherine Jabusch, Carol Overvold, Carol Wisdom, and Maureen Reichl.

Regina Vesely was not present, so the first order of business was the introduction of guest Milt Kunz. Among other endeavors, Milt is a teacher in the Hatboro-Horsham schools and is also involved in the Scouts (formerly the Boy Scouts and now open to both boys and girls). Milt came to the Friends meeting to ask if we would be willing to be the Chartered organization for Cub pack 410. The Chamber of Commerce was the former chartered organization, but the organization is no longer active. Cub pack 410 needs a new host in order to qualify for the Scouts charter.

Mr. Kunz presented the broad outlines of a Charter organization's relationship and responsibilities. We would need to hold an insurance certificate, and our agreement with Cub pack 410 would need to be renewed annually.

After Mr. Kunz completed his presentation and departed, there was a discussion among the Board attendees. Since we are an affiliate organization of PCBL (Pennsylvania Citizens for Better Libraries), a decision was made for Catherine Jabusch to contact PCBL for input as to whether we would be allowed to be a charter organization for a group outside the library and what possible pitfalls might exist. Lynn Robinson will contact Milt Kunz to possibly set up a future meeting for more information. She will also suggest to him that he keep exploring other options to be the charter organization. We will take the time to think about all of this and make a final decision in June.

### **Regina Vesely's Report**

Regina was not present but sent these notes:

- Proceeds from book sales: \$1148.
- Museum passes – All museum passes are available for circulation.
- All items for the Library of Things are now here. The library is working on instruction sheets; the goal is completion of all by Memorial Day. The Friends did not pay for any of these items.
- Summer Reading: Daniel Tiger has been booked to appear at the opening day launch on the new porch. Summer Reading begins June 16. All individual programs for Summer Reading will be on the library website.
- Horsham Day – the library will do a raffle. There will be two prizes; each is a bag of books featuring the new library logo. The library will have a coloring page as an activity.
- If the Friends decide to do a June booksale, the library will publicize it in the June newsletter.

### **Approval of the April Minutes**

A motion was made to approve the April minutes. It was made by Carol Overvold, seconded by Lynn Robinson, and approved by all present.

### **Treasurer's Report - Catherine Jabusch**

April was a quiet month, but we had positive cash flow. We had some ongoing payments associated with Summer Reading. Financial charts of specifics will be emailed to the Friends as soon as possible.

A motion was made by Lynn Robinson to approve the Treasurer's report. It was seconded by Carol Overvold and approved by all present.

### **Mothers' Day Plant Sale – May 13, 2023**

As in prior years, we will have a plant sale the day before Mother's Day. The sale will feature plants provided by Kohler Farms. The sale will be during regular library hours, but will end at 4 [p.m.to](#) allow time for clean-up. The volunteers for staffing are in place. Carol Wisdom is the lead on this event.

### **OrgelKidsPA**

Registrations are coming in through the library registration system for the Build a Pipe Organ program that was so successful last year. The date is May 22. There will be 3 consecutive workshops with a maximum of 20 children per workshop. The minimum age for participants is 5.

### **Summer Book Sale?**

Due to the Summer Reading Program events, our ability to utilize the library for a summer book sale is limited. We discussed having one in early June, but no Board member was able to commit to heading it. Instead, we will consider a date in August after the conclusion of Summer Reading.

### **Horsham Day – June 3**

Marie DeRatto is the lead for this.

### **Spring Celebration for English Learners**

We were contacted by Jesly George, English Development Teacher/Coordinator for the Hatboro-Horsham School District. There is going to be a program to promote summer activities for English learners. We are being asked to supply up to 100 books that could be distributed to children who attend this program. It is understood that these books would come from our donated stock and also from the library stock. A motion was

made by Carol Overvold to gather and donate up to 100 books and offer them for this program. It was seconded by Maureen Reichl and approved by all present.

Update: Carol Overvold did gather the 100+ books and attended the event. Photos were shared on Facebook.

### **Museum Passes**

Catherine Jabusch suggested that we add a museum pass for Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve to our collection of museum passes currently available at the library. Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve is "the only accredited botanical museum in the country dedicated to native plants". The location is 1635 River Road, New Hope, PA. Note: this is near Washington's Crossing State Park. A motion was made by Catherine Jabusch for the Friends to fund a museum pass for Bowman's Hill. It was seconded by Lynn Robinson and approved by all present.

### ***DATE CHANGES FOR BOARD MEETINGS – PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS***

***The June Board Meeting is June 28 at 7 p.m. in the library.***

***The July Board Meeting is July 19 at 7 p.m. in the library.***

***The August Board Meeting is August 2 at 7 p.m. in the library.***

A motion to adjourn was made by Lynn Robinson, seconded by Catherine Jabusch, and approved by all present.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Reichl

Recording Secretary