

Friends of the Horsham Library Board Meeting Minutes August 14, 2024

The meeting was called to order by President Lynn Robinson at 7 p.m. Board members attending: Lynn Robinson, Catherine Jabusch, Carl Meixsell, Angie Mambu, Carolyn Kushner, and Maureen Reichl. Library Director Regina Vesely attended.

Regina Vesely's Report

- There are 12 winners for Summer Reading.
- All went well for Summer Reading in spite of weather and library construction.
- The proceeds for June and July from the café books are \$2935.50.
- The September Library newsletter will feature the Book Sale, September 4 (members only), 5, 6, 7.
- Museum passes are in process. Currently up for renewal are: Wings of Freedom, National Constitution Center, Mutter Museum, Academy of Natural Sciences, John James Audubon Center.
- Regina suggests adding the Please Touch Museum to the museum passes. Price is \$300 and includes two parking spots. Please Touch is in Fairmont Park, Philadelphia. A motion was made by Carolyn Kushner to fund the Please Touch Museum pass. There was a second from Catherine Jabusch and approval from all members in attendance.
- Regina will provide YTD usage information regarding the museum passes.
- The library anniversary celebration is November 9. There will be events for children during the day including a performer, Lolly Hopwood. The after-hours events for adults will be 6:30 – 8 p.m. There may be performances from the high school jazz band and choir; not yet confirmed. Raffle basket proceeds will go to the Mary Dare Courtyard Fund. The next meeting of the Anniversary celebration committee is September 11 at 6:30 p.m.
- The summer improv program was cancelled due to lack of sign-ups. We may be able to re-schedule it in October as a stand-alone program.

Minutes

Catherine Jabusch made a motion to approve the July Board Meeting Minutes. It was seconded by Lynn Robinson and approved by all present.

Treasurer's Report – Catherine Jabusch

- Standard reports, TD Bank Checking, Statement of Activity, and Statement of Financial Position, Pay Pal report.
- The Post Office Box annual fee was paid, \$256.
- Museum pass renewals are paid as they come due.
- Future project – set up an account in the name of the Friends at Staples so items purchased will not have to pay state sales tax.

- YTD net revenue is \$2528.66.
- 1 new member paid dues.

A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Lynn Robinson, seconded by Maureen Reichl, and approved by all present.

Investment Committee

- Board members and Friends members are eligible to be on the committee. We may open it to adult volunteers as well.

Membership – Carolyn Kushner

- One new member, Lisa Brown, a former teacher.

Horsham Library 20th Anniversary Project – Carolyn Kushner

- Fund raising letters will be sent out after the book sale.

New Signs – Carolyn Kushner

- Signs will be delivered by August 22.
- 10 signs at a cost of \$219.90 were purchased.
- The Library's electronic signs may be used.

Marketing – Carolyn Kushner

In addition to social media, there will be extra advertising for the Book Sale: Patch, Around Ambler, Peach Jar (Hatboro-Horsham schools), Horsham Business Association.

The Mary Dare Project

Bill Walker, Horsham Township Manager, will speak to us on September 18 at 7 p.m.

September Book Sale

- Carolyn Kushner is the Point Person for the book sale.
- Lynn Robinson is the Point Person for the Monday clean-up.
- There will not be a Red Bag sale at this book sale. Procedures such as removing certain books from the sale books should be discussed.
- Donations continue to come in, and our stock is replenished.
- Book reviews are continuing.

New Friends Brochures

- Marie DeRatto and Lynn Robinson continue to work on this.
- There are 2 versions under review and editing.

Photo Release Forms

Completed.

Handbells Musical Program for Christmas

- Performers are the Philadelphia Handbell Ensemble
- Lynn signed the contract and returned it.
- Secured date is Saturday, December 14 at 1 p.m. The show is approximately 1.5 hours.
- Cost is \$750.
- No recording or photographs allowed.
- Lynn Robinson is the Point Person.
- Publicity needs to be created. Carolyn Kushner will contact the leader of the Handbells group.

Google Shared Drive – Marie DeRatto

- Google drive space – our electronic documents. Marie is the Point Person.

Website

- Upgrading appearance and page content.

Program with authors of children's books

- Tabled for future discussion.

November Meetings

1. ***Regular Board Meeting November 13 at 6:30 p.m.***
2. ***Membership Meeting November 13 at 7:30 p.m.***

The next Board meeting is September 11, 2024 at 7 p.m.

A motion to adjourn was made by Carl Meixsell, seconded by Angie Mambu, and approved by all.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Reichl, Recording Secretary