

Friends of the Horsham Library Board Meeting Minutes – January 12, 2022

The meeting was scheduled to be held via Zoom as the covid case count substantially increased since our last in-person meeting. After some technical difficulties with Carl's computer, the meeting was called to order by President Lynn Robinson at 7:05 p.m. Attendees: Lynn Robinson, Catherine Jabusch, Carol Overvold, Pat Kohler, Carol Wisdom, and Maureen Reichl.

Regina Vesely's Report - The Library Director, Regina Vesely, was unable to attend due to her son's illness. However, Regina did communicate some questions/concerns via email. First, the library staff member who did a substantial amount of book scanning left her position to relocate to a new community. Regina would like the Friends to volunteer to sort, scan, and box the donated books. Is anyone interested? Second, are the Friends interested in doing a funds appeal in spring? Due to concerns expressed by Board members regarding the Giving Tuesday appeal in November, Lynn replied that the Friends are not interested in doing an appeal at this time.

Catherine Jabusch noted that former Friends president Mary Dare was also very involved in Rotary, and that Rotary suggested having a room at the Horsham Library named for her in honor of her library and other community service. Lynn discussed this with Regina who stated that the rooms are already named. There are no signs on any of them, so we will ask Regina to verify where the named rooms are. Regina noted that an outside area in the back is being planned as a gathering place. This might be a naming possibility. We need further information on this. Catherine Jabusch will communicate back to Rotary. Carol Overvold asked if it would be possible to name the café for Mary Dare.

Minutes: A motion was made by Carol Overvold to approve the December minutes. It was seconded by Pat Kohler. The minutes were approved by all present.

Treasurer's Report

December income was \$1777.00 from book, poinsettia, and jewelry sales. Giving Tuesday netted about \$70, and dues/donations were \$365.

Regina will be notified that an outstanding check to Horsham Township has not been cashed.

Membership

Carl Meixsell reported that to date \$270 in dues has been collected. There are still some outstanding.

The notices for annual dues were sent out to active members and are due January 1, 2022. The dues are \$10 and can be paid by check payable to Friends of the Horsham Library. Checks can also be mailed to P.O. Box 736, Horsham, PA 19044 or placed in the Friends' Drop Box in the library.

Nominations for 2022 Slate of Officers

President: Lynn Robinson

Vice-President: Carol Overvold

Recording Secretary: Maureen Reichl

Treasurer: Catherine Jabusch

Corresponding Secretary: Jean Marie Bliss

There were no additional nominations for the slate of officers. Catherine Jabusch made a motion to unanimously approve the slate of nominees. It was seconded by Pat Kohler and approved by all present.

The Membership Tri-fold brochure created and edited by Marie DeRatto with input from Lynn Robinson was emailed to all Board members by Lynn. No one received this email, so Lynn will re-send. Modifying/updating this brochure is a high priority. It is possible that the library will print these for us.

Shall we start on improvement of the website as our next action?

Motion to Adjourn – Next Board Meeting, Wednesday, February 9, 2022 at 7 p.m. In-person or Zoom status will be determined closer to the meeting date. A motion to adjourn was approved by all present.

Zoom timed-out the meeting, but 4 members, Carl Meixsell, Lynn Robinson, Carol Overvold, and Maureen Reichl phoned in for a short final chat. No business was transacted.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Reichl, Recording Secretary