

## **Friends of the Horsham Library Board Meeting Minutes January 10, 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, Jean Marie Bliss, and Maureen Reichl. Also in attendance was member Ellen Flanagan.

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

- Proceeds from the café books sales for November are \$1230.
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- Suggested dates for a book sale using all meeting rooms are April 18, 19, 20.
- The library is sponsoring a Pollinator Friendly Garden program through Penn State Extension on March 11.
- The Pearl Buck Museum pass expires in March. It is our understanding that this museum will no longer offer library museum passes.
- Kyle Crossan will be in charge of teen services, and Bryan Sotnyk has been promoted to Assistant Director.
- Suggestion to have a local authors expo focusing on authors of children's books. Many have expressed an interest in appearing at the Horsham Library. The timing could be before Summer Reading on a Saturday afternoon.
- The Horsham Library's 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration will be in November 2024. Events are in the planning stages. Anyone interested in planning or suggesting ideas should contact Regina.
- The Mary Dare project is still under consideration
- Improvement projects for the library include new siding, new roof, and solar panels
- Two ports for electric car charging will be installed.
- The Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for March 23.
- The Summer Reading Budget Proposal will be presented to the Friends Board at the February meeting.

### **Minutes**

A motion to approve the December 13, 2023 minutes was made by Jean Marie Bliss, seconded by Lynn Robinson, and approved by all present.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Catherine Jabusch presented the following reports: Statement of Activity January – December 2023, Statement of Activity December 2023, Statement of Financial Position as of December 31, 2023, Statement of Cash Flows January – December 2023, and the most recent (December 2023) statement of our Business Interest Checking account at TD Bank.

There was about a \$12,000 increase in income in 2023 versus 2022.

We receive income from Ziffit, a re-sale division of World of Books. The Horsham Library is assisting with a discrepancy with the last Ziffit payment to the Friends.

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

### **.Membership**

There are some new members who joined in December. There was a discussion of thank you notes and acknowledgements for paid dues and also acknowledgements for those who contribute over and above the dues amount.

### **Old Business**

#### **OHAAT, One House at a Time**

January 12 is the tentative date for the hand-off of the young adult and children's books to OHAAT's Beds for Kids program.

#### **Ambler Station Singers**

The holiday program was well received. It was noted that the program lasted about 45 minutes. No decision was made on sponsorship for a December 2024 performance.

#### **OrgelKids USA Build an Organ Program**

We decided to table the decision regarding future sponsorship of this program until the February Board Meeting.

### **New Business**

#### **Spring Book Sale**

A motion was made to have a book sale on these dates: April 17 (set-up and Members' Sale night), 18, 19, 20 (public sale days), and 22 (clean-up). A motion to hold a sale on these dates was made by Lynn Robinson, seconded by Angie Mambu, and approved by all present. There was a brief discussion of the parameters that should be in place for Members' Sale Night. It would be good to have it in written form.

### **Tyler Aboretum Museum Pass**

We decided not to purchase a pass to this venue which is in Media.

### **Photo Release Forms**

There is general consensus that having different specific forms would be cumbersome. There are final details on this topic that need to be established.

### **Point Person**

There was some further discussion on what this designation entails. This position can exist in conjunction with the work done by a committee.

**The next Board meeting is February 7, 2024.** (Date adjustment was agreed to via email after the Board Meeting. The regular date of February 14 is both Ash Wednesday and Valentine's Day).

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

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Reichl, Recording Secretary