

Friends of the Horsham Library Board Meeting Minutes – July 13, 2022

In attendance: Jean Marie Bliss, Bryan Sotnyk, Catherine Jabusch, Pat Kohler, Carl Meixsell, Carol Wisdom, Lynn Robinson, Maureen Reichl, Marie DeRatto

Librarian Report – Bryan standing in for Regina. June café book sales brought in \$1017. Can we reserve Oct. 8 and 9 for a Fall Book Sale?

Do we want to add new museum passes in the August newsletter? Yes, please.

We asked Bryan if he could move Friends website tab to “Services” on the library web site. He will.

Summer Reading Program – Bryan reports there is a high level of engagement. Registration fills up very quickly. In the Beanstalk program there were 460 sign ups. For in person programs there were 346 participants. Volunteers are doing great. Mostly Middle Schoolers. Can we get some of them to carry over into our programs after summer reading is over? A possibility.

Regina will be on maternity leave for August, Sept and Oct. Bryan will be our contact.

Marie gave a wonderful presentation of the new web site. June 14 the site became live!!!! Long time coming, thanks, Marie. She went over her process: 1) objectives, 2) time frame, 3) participants, 4) milestones. Everyone is very pleased.

Minutes were read and motion to approve, first, Jean Marie Bliss; seconded, Catherine Jabusch.

Treasurers report- Catherine reports not much to report. Lots of money going out for Summer Reading Program, not much coming in.

Membership – nothing to report.

Jean Marie Bliss had some thoughts on future book sales and handling book donations. We are getting too many books some of which are not saleable. Storage is a concern, physically handling the books is a concern. The book sale on June 10 and 11 was only so/so. The ½ price sale didn't increase sales.

Author Visit – Wendy Stanley – Sept. 27.

Mary Dare Recognition – With the Rotary we need to put into detail exactly what we want to do and then meet with Regina and Bill Walker. Since Regina is out until October this won't happen until late Fall.

National Night Out – Aug. 2 – It looks like we'll skip it. No one is available.

November membership meeting – around 9 people will be invited that are members.

Ambler Station Singers – Dec. 10

Do we want to do a book, jewelry, poinsettia sale? Dec. 2 and 3?

Motion to adjourn, first, Carl Meixsell; seconded, Maureen Reichl.

Meeting adjourned 8:35.

Next meeting Aug. 24 (date change due to vacations).

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Kohler