Friends of the Horsham Library Board Meeting Minutes April 12, 2023

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

Regina Vesely's Report

- Café Book Sales proceeds: \$1332.
- Museum passes All museum passes recently purchased have been received with the exception of the one from Eastern State Penitentiary. The Library will promote them.
- The additional items for the Library of Things have all been received and are being cataloged.
- Summer Reading: Daniel Tiger has been booked to appear at the opening day. All the programs have been booked.
- A small Seeds library will debut on April 19, which is also the date of the Gardening program.
- National Library Week is April 23-29. The Friends can do a staff lunch (as in past years) on April 28.
- Library personnel who supervise or work with children under 18 years of age need to have legal clearances. We Board members should also have clearances as we work with teen volunteers. Some of the Friends are willing to get the clearances.
- The movie license is up for renewal. The annual cost is \$625. The library requests that the Friends continue to fund this. Catherine Jabush made a motion that the Friends pay the annual fee; it was seconded by Maureen Reichl and approved by all present.
- The Mothers' Day plant sale on May 13 will be publicized in the May Library newsletter.
- Bryan is preparing informative postings for the OrgelKids Build a Pipe Organ program scheduled for May 22. It will be noted in the May newsletter.

Approval of the March Minutes

The Membership section should be corrected as follows:

Johanna Barbin is a volunteer, not a new member.

Contacts were made to former members who did not renew.

A motion was made to approve the minutes as corrected. It was made by Carol Overvold, seconded by Catherine Jabusch, and approved by all present.

Treasurer's Report - Catherine Jabusch

We received income from book sales, the donation jar, and Better World Books. We paid for performers for Summer Reading and some museum passes.

Quick Books is nearing time for renewal. We will be transitioning to an online version instead of a desktop version. Lynn Robinson made a motion to approve purchase of the new online version of Quick Books in an amount not to exceed \$300. It was seconded by Maureen Reichl and approved by all present.

Gardening Program

Through Penn State Extension, a program, Top 10 Things a Home Gardener Can Do to Save the Planet, will take place on April 19. An honorarium of \$50 to \$100 dollars was suggested as a donation. A motion was made to give \$100 by Carol Overvold, seconded by Catherine Jabusch, and approved by all present.

We should display our Friends banner at the presentation.

National Library Week

April 23-29. We will do a staff luncheon on April 28.

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. A Sign-up Genius will be used for staffing. Carol Wisdom is the lead on this event. Marie DeRatto will be asked to create an image for the newsletter and our Facebook page.

OrgelKidsPA

We will do an encore of the Build a Pipe Organ program that was so successful last year. We deposited 20% of the fee to secure the date, May 22. There will be 3 consecutive workshops with a maximum of 20 children per workshop. The minimum age for participants is 5.

Social Media Committee

We had a meeting to discuss research that was done by some committee members. We are looking for a social media platform that is both cost effective and capable of meeting our needs.

Horsham Connected

Lynn Robinson and Catherine Jabusch attended.

June Book Sale?

If we want to have a book sale, we need to do it before Summer Reading begins as the entire library is used for the various programs. Suggested dates are June 7 (set-up), 8, 9, 10, with clean-up on the 12th.

Horsham Day - June 3

Marie DeRatto is the lead for this. Should we have a game and prizes?

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. Carol Overvold is working with Jesly George on this. Maureen Reichl will do a Facebook post asking for donations of children's books.

Request from Milt Kunz regarding a Scout troop

Milt Kunz will be attending the May Friends Board meeting. He will present the need his scout troop has for an organization to serve as a charter organization for them, and the possibility of the Friends taking on this role.

May Board Meeting

The May Board Meeting is May 10th at 7 p.m. in the library.

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

Respectfully submitted, Maureen Reichl