

Friends of Boyden Library
Minutes of April 3, 2013

Present: Diane Monahan, Neda Joury-Penders, Dave Crimmins, Sue Collins, Betty Travers, Bobbe Leonardi, Ann Ross, Kathy Brady, Howard Siegal, Trustee Tom Magee, and Children's Supervisor Margi Rossetti.

Meeting called to order by Diane.

Minutes of March 6, 2013 were presented by **Sue**. Dave made a motion to accept Minutes; second by Betty. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report –**Dave** presented his Treasurer's Report for the month of **March**. Dave noted that the **Capital Campaign** has exceeded their goal of \$750,000. The Campaign will end on June 1st. Bobbe made a motion to accept the Report; second by Kathy. Motion passed.

Staff Report- Director Jerry Cirillo was not able to come, so **Margi Rossetti** gave the report. The library is looking for a **completion date of late spring or early summer**. In **construction news**, cabinets are being installed, wood trim looks great, interior and exterior doors are in and the circulation desks are going in. The exterior cement panels are almost complete and the limestone will be installed soon. Landscaping is in the process of being completed, as is the elevator. The lighting that is going in looks wonderful and compliments the "waffle ceiling".

April is Poetry Month. Children always enjoy "Poems in your Pocket" on April 18. **Diane Piper** is retiring so there is an opening for a **Children's Library Assistant and 2 substitutes**. Margi will be interviewing soon. The Friends gave Diane a card and a gift to thank her for her years of service.

Trustee Report – **Tom Magee** stated that the **budget is still on track** which is so important. The **Advisory Committee** approved the budget of the Library; however, they want **Sunday hours** at the library. Further discussions are needed.

Newsletter – **Liz** was not able to attend but **Dave** stated that Liz said it would be good to have the Newsletter coincide with Founders Day.

Membership –**Laurie** was not available so **Dave** stated that we received 30 new memberships. Also the majority of memberships dues were more than the standard \$20 fee..

New Business –

- 1. Sue** said she would be the Chairperson for the booth on **Founders Day**. Sue said she would fill out the **application form**. Kathy said to go online at FoxboroughFoundersDay.com . **Betty or Dave** can supply a **canopy** plus table and chairs. We would need **swag** such as balloons, glow sticks, lollipops, and **bookmarks**. **Margi** can supply us with Summer Reading Program prizes from past years. **Dave** said he would procure a **helium tank**. **Kathy** suggested a **pickle jar** for donations. Another suggestion would be to sell **children’s books for \$1**. **Information** and Newsletters with Membership forms would also be available.
- 2. Friends Sharing with Friends – Diane** and Dave went to a meeting in Walpole. They learned one way to attract people was through blogging. Different **fundraising** activities were mini-golf or croquet throughout the stacks. Friends have had great success with corporate sponsors for each hole. Also a knitting group has sold items or a used jewelry table set up during the holidays is also a good source of money.
- 3. Massachusetts Cultural Council – Diane** the Friends could apply for a Grant in mid-October. Notifications of acceptance are sent out in January.
- 4. Book and Bake Sale – Joanne Pratt** was not available but **Neda** is willing to store books in her garage. Neda has made attractive flyers. Discussion of a **monthly book sale** or perhaps an ongoing sale at the circulation desk.

Old Business-

- 1. Rental Book inset – Neda** will give a copy of revised insert needs to be approved by Jerry. Then Tech Services can duplicate them.
- 2. Letter to Life Members – Dave** stated that 6 out of 92 replied to our plea and made a donation, which was great.
- 3. Foxborough High School Music Department –** sponsors are needed. **Motion** made to donate \$40 for a quarter page ad for the Pops Concert. Suggested to read “The Friends of the Boyden Library congratulate the young artists at tonight’s concert who are reading tonight. Expand your repertoire at the library.”

Adjourn– Betty made a motion to adjourn; second by Bobbe. Motion passed.

Next Meeting: May 1, 2013, Council on Aging (rear entrance), 75 Central Street at 7:30 PM

Respectfully submitted, Susan Collins