Minutes of the Board Meeting

Friends of the J.R. Van Pelt and Opie Library
Thursday, November 1, 2012, 4:00 PM

Present: Deb Charlesworth, Don Durfee, Eloise Haller, Amy Hughes, Kelly Luck, Mary Marchaterre, Dana Richter, Ellen Marks
Visitor: Ellen Seidel
Absent: Karen Hubbard, Adrienne Minerick, Faith Morrison (sabbatical)

Chairperson Amy Hughes called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

1) Minutes
The minutes of the October meeting were reviewed and approved with minor changes. Motion by Dana, seconded by Eloise to approve.

2) Treasurer Report (Kelly Luck)
• Balance as of Oct 31st, 2012 is $23,508.37
• Ellen will check on the book cart location.
• The $540.16 was reversed by Carol Makkonen.
Motion by Mary and seconded by Deb to approve both treasurer’s reports. Passed.

3) Old Business

a) Annual FVPL Meeting recap
• Deb will send a thank you note to Mary for talk.
• Great talk, nice setup, too bad the weather did not cooperate.

• Date reset to Dec 6 3-5 instead of Board meeting.
• Dana will ask students if they can help early next year.

4) New Business

a) Transfer of $750 to Library Sale of Excess Gifts account to popular books.
• Motion made by Kelly and seconded by Eloise was passed. Kelly will have the amount transferred.
• We will do this transfer each year.

• Ellen explained the initiative is an effort to create sustainable shared collections with 7 other Michigan public schools. The study had shown that 40-50% of the books never go out the door. Digital books and online access are increasing. This initiative is an effort to downsize and share collections among the 7 institutions at a significant cost savings.

c) Update on Library Fire

d) New Art Committee and Book Sales Committee member selection
• Art Committee is being dropped
5. Informational/Open Items
   
   a) Book Cart
      • Eloise will check the book cart.
   
   b) Econo Receipts
   
   c) Financial Audit - pending

6. Next meeting
   • Would like to discuss thank you letter process.

Next Meeting is Thursday, Dec 6, 2012 – work bee
Meeting adjourned 5:05PM

Book Sale Committee = Dana, Deb
Budget Committee = Kelly, Don, and Dana
Audit Committee = Amy and Mary
Newsletter = Faith Morrison

Submitted by Mary Marchaterre