Minutes of the Board Meeting

Friends of the J.R. Van Pelt and Opie Library
Thursday, September 12th, 2013, 4:00 PM

Present:  Don Durfee, Rasika Gawde, Eloise Haller, Karen Hubbard, Amy Hughes, Daniel LaForest, Kelly Luck, Mary Marchaterre, Faith Morrison, Dana Richter, Ellen Marks
Absent:  Deb Charlesworth, Adrienne Minerick
Guest:  Patricia Van Pelt

Chairperson Amy Hughes called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm.

1) Minutes
   The minutes of the May meeting were reviewed and approved. Motion was by Dana and seconded by Kelly.

2) Treasurer Report (Kelly Luck)
   - Two reports were presented. Balance as of June 30, 2013 is $22,023.03. August 31, 2013 report balance is $20,627.38. Motion by Mary and seconded by Eloise to approve the treasurer reports passed.
   - Book cart sales as of June were 89.43 and as of August were 84.35. Donations from alumni were $100.
   - The scanner ($6,800), archives travel grant ($850) and art for the library ($1,580) were paid.
   - Still need to pay Framed by Kathy for last picture.

3) Old Business
   a) Annual Book Sales (April 1-2, 2014)
      - A work bee will be scheduled Oct 26 from 10 to 2pm on Make a Difference Day.
   b) Budget
      - Kelly will change the budget to reflect Sept to end of August. New one will be presented in next meeting for approval.

3) New Business
   a) Fall Newsletter – articles due to Faith by Oct 3. to be published by Oct 17.
      - Ellen – will write an article with pictures about the IT upgrades plus other Library changes such as hours open, etc.
      - Faith – will write about the new drop box for books.
      - Mary – Econo Food slips; give to Faith, Amy, Gisele or Library slips
      - Deb – new art added to collection
      - Amy – book sale summary
      - Julie Blair – ‘after the fire’ archives story
      - Julie Blair – about the travel grant program
      - ??? – Annual Meeting and speaker
b) Speaker for Annual Meeting, Annual Meeting Date Oct 24 Thu 4:30 – 6pm (3:30 for setup)

- Ellen – will verify East Reading Room is available. Also, she will have it set up in a round table format.
- Faith – will email requirements for talk to Ellen.
- Hugh Gorman has agreed to give a talk on his new book ‘The Story of N: A Social History of the Nitrogen Cycle and the Challenge of Sustainability.’
- Eloise will work with Travis to create poster for meeting.
- Amy will email the signup sheet for the event.
- We need to do more advertising: CMS, EDS and Daily Mining Gazette.
- Other suggested speakers were Russell Thorburn– Poet Laureate of the Upper Peninsula and Alice Margerum to talk about her carvings.
- A motion was passed for mileage and dinner for Russell Thorburn if we are able to have him visit another time.

c) Update on happenings in the Library – Ellen

- Ellen gave an update of the changes by IT to centralize computers from labs at the Library. She will give another update at the Annual Meeting.
- http://www.it.mtu.edu/ilc/ - this link has information on the changes.

3) Informational/Open Items

- Art – It was decided to not frame the John Haro piece called ‘Quincy Mine Shaft House #2’.

Next Meeting is Thursday, Oct 3, 2013
Meeting adjourned 5:15PM

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

Submitted by Mary Marchaterre