

The Friends of the North Hampton Public Library

Wednesday, September 19, 2018

North Hampton Public Library

Presiding Officer Cynthia Swank called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m. In attendance were Jane Boesch, Donna Etela, Vicki Jones, Hope Miller, Nancy Monaghan, Dan Morrissey and Lisa Peck. Also attending was Liz Herold from the Library.

Andrea Vibbert arrived to show the afghan shawl she has made for our holiday raffle, which will run from November 1 to December 12. The basket will have information on the size of the shawl as well as a photograph, and it will note a value of \$100. Andrea will also supply a small sample so people can feel the yarn.

The Treasurer's report and the minutes of the August 15 meeting were approved as presented. Cynthia will send a full list of the museum passes and cost to Lisa Peck.

Old Home Day Raffle

Cynthia thanked Donna Etela for providing the beautiful Stonewall Kitchen basket. Raffle tickets brought in \$432.

Back to School Picnic/PAL

Jane Boesch reported there was virtually no activity at The Friends table, and she strongly recommended that next year there be some sort of food, even lollipops, to lure the kids to the table followed by their parents. Cynthia has reached out to PAL to schedule a time when she can go to a meeting. Liz Herold suggested some sort of Friends activity in December when the fourth graders come to do their Christmas carols.

Annual Appeal Brochure

Some minor changes were discussed. Lisa urged that we include something that indicates we are looking for volunteers with ideas and energy. Liz said she will try to gather some information from the young mothers who frequent the Library about whether any would be interested in joining. The updated draft version of the brochure will be available at the October meeting.

Candidates for Office

Cynthia moves from VP/President Elect to President or next year. Jane has volunteered for a two-year term as Secretary. Vicki Jones has tentatively volunteered to serve as VP/President Elect. Lisa is retiring as Treasurer next year, and Cynthia noted that someone has to get ready during this coming year to take over for her. So far, no volunteers. The election is in October.

Library and Foundation meeting

Cynthia reported on the last Library Trustees meeting when the architect and the estimators for the proposed expansion of the Library were there to explain the cost estimate. She said the \$2.6 million figure cited was for hard costs only and does not include soft costs that will bring the project's total cost to more than \$3 million. She said

there were no decisions at the meeting about how the Trustees will proceed, but there was discussion about a meeting with the Trustees, the Foundation and The Friends. After some discussion it was agreed that Cynthia will speak to the Trustees and suggest two meeting options: One with just the Chairs of the Trustees and the Foundation and the President of The Friends as well as an option for a larger gathering.

Liz reviewed some upcoming Library events, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:57.
The next meeting is Wednesday, October 17 at 9:30 a.m. at the Library.

**Minutes prepared 9/20/18
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