

Friends of the Exeter Public Library Meeting- 1/10/2023

Present: Sarah James, Carla, Tishler, Dottie Cieslewicz, Martha Walsh, Barbara Young, Kathy Boudreau

1. Financial matters: We reviewed the latest treasurer's reports for the months of November and December, 2023, as well as a year end summary (see below). The library has not asked us to fund any specific projects or items at this time, but anticipates doing so in the spring. Hilary and Carla reached out to The Brook casino in Seabrook to see if we can be a recipient of some of their charitable funds but they did not hear back. they will try again. We recently received two new donations, which have been deposited and will appear on next month's treasurer's report. Kathy will write thank you notes to the Louise Hirshberg and the NH Charitable foundation. We so appreciate all donations! The transition of the treasurer position from Susan to Dottie is almost complete. Kathy will get to the bank sometime this month to sign the final paperwork.

2. Saturday cribbage: Upcoming dates for Saturday morning cribbage (10-12 in the library) include this coming Saturday, January 14th, as well as February 11th (definite) and March 11th (tentative). Players of all abilities are welcome!

3. Activities planned for 2023:

-Carla met with Dan Chartrand at Water Street Books and he has signed us up to be the store's community partner in September. This was a fun and easy fundraiser for us in 2022 and we are happy to do it again. Thanks to Carla and Dan!

-Carla reached out to Seadog Brewery and they were very enthusiastic about doing another fundraiser with us, possibly in April or May. Similar to last year seadog would brew a special batch of beer (similar to last year's "Page Turner IPA") from which we would get a percentage of the sales. We would also be able to have a raffle of gift baskets or other items. This was another fun fundraiser last year that resulted in over \$1200 donation to the library - wow! Carla will hammer out the dates and details with Seadog. Dottie will work on getting the raffle permit from the town. In the meantime start thinking about possible raffle items. Donations from local merchants are great, as are items from individuals. The more items we have to raffle the more tickets we'll sell and the more money we'll generate for library programs!

-Sarah reached out to the Winter Farmer's Market administration about having a table there but did not hear back. She will reach out again.

-We are always open to new ideas and activities. Send them in, even if you can't make a meeting!

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 14th in the art room on the library's lower level. Hope to see you there!

Narrative financial report

12/2/2022

On 11/1/2022, the bank account opening balance was **\$2,298.78**

Receipts:

11/14/2022	Individual donor	100.00
11/21/2022	Amazon Smile Foundation	28.07

Expenses: none 0

On 11/30/2022, the bank account closing balance was **\$2,426.85**

Anticipated expense:

Susan Scales Library Support – Teen Room couch \$392.99

Narrative financial report

1/4/2023

On 12/1/2022, the bank account opening balance was \$2,426.85

Receipts: none 0

Expenses: none 0

On 12/31/2022, the bank account closing balance was \$2,426.85

Anticipated expense:

Susan Scales Library Support – Teen Room couch \$392.99

Narrative financial report: 2022 summary

Receipts		\$2,814.82
Donations		\$756.63
Grants (Donor directed: NH Charitable Foundation)		\$300.00
Amazon Smile		\$85.21
Sea Dog Benefit		\$1,234.00
Farmers' Mkts		\$35.00
Community Day at Water St Books		\$403.98
In-kind, raffle		
Expenditures		-\$1,396.98
Administrative Expense		-\$75.00
Donate a Book		-\$21.98
Library Support		-\$1,300.00

Net	\$1,417.84

Checkbook balance 1/1/2022	\$1,009.01
	2022 Net <u>\$1,417.84</u>
Checkbook balance 2022 YTD	\$2,426.85

Bank balance 1/1/2022	\$1,009.01
Bank balance 12/31/2023	\$2,426.85