

## Friends of the Library Meeting Minutes 6/14/2022

Present: Sarah James, Hope Godino, Pam Hagan, Susan Scales, Barbara Young, Jennifer Medlock, Ginny Raub, Carla Tischler, Kathy Boudreau

Next meeting Tuesday, August 9th, 6:30 pm at the library

1. Board of Trustee's liaison: Jennifer Medlock is our new liaison to the board of trustees. Welcome Jennifer!

2. Wrap up of recent activities: We have had a busy few months and the activities were great! We made \$1,234 at the Sea Dog "Page Turner Ale" fundraiser. THANK YOU SEA DOG! We had good turn out and got lots of positive feedback on our Farmers' Market booth and our table at the YMCA Kids Day. The kids loved Hilary's rock painting activity! The cribbage group is going strong. Hope reported that the presentation we sponsored (John Forti from Bedrock Gardens on collecting and preserving heirloom seeds) was well attended and well received. Thanks to all our wonderful volunteers!

3. Future activities:

- Upcoming cribbage sessions on July 23rd and August 20th, both will run 10 am to noon at the library. Everyone welcome!
- On September 1 we will be the community partner of the month at Water Street Books in Exeter. We will receive a percentage of book sales they make that day, whether in person or on their website. We strategized about publicity. Start making your book lists and buy everything on September 1st - and tell your friends!
- School supply donations for teens is ongoing. Bring them in any time. As hard as it is to believe the back to school sales will be starting soon.
- Other ideas? Please respond to this newsletter if you have the energy and ideas to work on any other new projects. A table at the Exeter Thursday Farmers' Market? Organizing a poetry night? Helping out in the kids' room during some of their summer reading activities? Another community night at Sea Dog or someplace else (we hear Community Oven in Hampton sometimes does these)? We would like to hear any and all ideas and can gather volunteers to help you!

4. Library cards: New library cards with better security will be issued shortly! The cards have been received but the scanners to read them are still en route to the library. Watch for your new card, which features a photo of the library. These will be for all patrons age 8 and up. We think the kids will love them!

5. Gardens: The gardens are looking great. Thanks to the town for installing the rain garden info sign! Still no word on a date to begin restoration of the Founders Park statue. Our gardeners will send out an SOS if funding for this project appears and we need to move the plants to keep them safe.

6. Treasurer's Report: See below. We ended May with \$2,465.18 in our account. In discussion with Hope we decided to sponsor 5 chairs for the meeting rooms, which will have a small metal marker denoting them as donated by our group. We also agreed to make a donation to the teen snack fund. Hope noted that often times teens come in after school and stay until 7 pm when their parents can pick them up. That's a long time to go without a snack, so the library keeps small bags of pretzels and popcorn on hand to tide them over

**Friends of the Exeter Public Library  
Narrative financial report  
4/5/2022**

On 3/1/2022, the bank account opening balance was	\$1,509.01
Receipts: Amazon Smile Fdn – Q4 2021	\$ 8.64
Expenses: Trustees of the EPL– Donate-A-Book Expense -\$21.98	
The bank acct closing balance on 3/31/22 was	\$1,495.67

Note: The NH DOJ CTU annual report was filed 4/6/2022

**Friends of the Exeter Public Library  
Narrative financial report  
5/6/2022**

On 4/1/2022, the bank account opening balance was	\$ 1,495.67
Receipts:	
Farmer's Market	
35.00	
Raffle + donations	
534.00	
Sea Dog donation from beer & food sales	
<u>700.00</u>	
1,269.00	
Expenses:	
NH Charitable Trusts annual report fee	
-75.00	

On 4/30/2022, the bank account closing balance was	\$ 2,689.67
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**Friends of the Exeter Public Library  
Narrative financial report  
6/6/2022**

On 5/1/2022, the bank account opening balance was	\$ 2,689.67
Receipts:	
Two individual donations	
157.63	
Amazon Smile Fdn - Q1 2022	
<u>17.88</u>	
1,269.00	

**Expenses:**            **John Forti, Library speaker series**  
                                 **-500.00**

**On 5/31/2022, the bank account closing balance was                                    \$ 2,465.18**