

Friends of Exeter Public Library Meeting Minutes 5/9/2023

Present: Courtney Marshall, Hope Godino, Kathy Boudreau, Barbara Young, Evelyn Kelso, Lorraine Jurdi, Hilary Ireland, Martha Walsh, Susan Feltus, Sarah James

1. Craft Fair: The librarians were very pleased with how the craft fair went on May 6th. They are considering having another one in the fall. Thanks to our volunteers who organized and staffed the raffle table! We made \$209. At the beginning of the meeting we pulled the names of the raffle winners. Hope will ask the librarians to call the winners on May 10th.
2. Sea Dog "Beer and Books" event: Our next fundraiser is scheduled for Wednesday, May 17th from 5 to 8 at Sea Dog. Martha will contact Sea Dog to see if they have any questions for us before the event. We have LOTS of items donated for the raffle and will be gathering at Sarah's house in the afternoon on May 10th to assemble them into baskets and bring some of them down to the library as a pre-advertisement. Reply to this email if you want to join the assembly group. Martha suggested writing the names of the ticket buyers on a master list instead of on the individual tickets. Sarah will work on the master list. Hilary will write a thank you note to Lindt, who has donated a case of truffles for the event. We have quite a few volunteers to set up and staff the event but can always use more - stop by Sea Dog on the 17th any time between 4 and 8 to help out!
3. Saturday cribbage group: There were 8 attendees at the last meeting. The next meeting is scheduled to take place at the library on Saturday, May 15th from 10-12. Players of all abilities are welcome.
4. Future activities: Hope anticipates needing some volunteers at the kids summer reading program in early June. More info to follow. Hilary will work with our incoming treasurer Roy on the paperwork to become a recipient of charitable gaming. We are on track to be the Water St Bookstore community partner in September. We have also heard that Otto Pizza and Charlie's Ice Cream also partner with community groups and can look into this in the future.
5. Treasurer's report: See below. Sarah will check with Dottie to see if she sent a thank you note to the Kennedy's for their donation. Hope requested money for two upcoming programs: "Silver Circus" for the Children's Room and Amare Cantare in the adult area. Hope doesn't need checks from us right away and we will ask our new treasurer to write them once our officer transition is complete.
6. New Officers: Carla Tischler has had to step down as president. Susan and Matha volunteered to share this position going forward. Dottie will stay on as treasurer through June, then transition the position to Roy Tellini. Courtney volunteered to become the secretary. Hilary and Lorraine will stay on as vice president and member-at-large, respectively, Kathy and Sarah will help ease the transition, including writing up a job

description for each position before the next meeting and working with Dottie on getting the treasurer's information updated.

7. Next meeting: Tuesday, June 13th at 6:30 pm in the library. Hope to see you there!

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Narrative financial report for the month of April, 2023

On April 1, 2023, the bank account opening balance \$2,331.88

Receipts:

Donation – Acorn Alcinda Foundation (Jan & Claire Kennedy) \$1,000.00

Expenses: none

On April 30, 2023, the bank account closing balance \$3,331.88

Outstanding expenses: none