

Friends of Boyden Library
Minutes of May 2, 2018

Present: Dave Crimmins, Janice Rosado, Bernadette Thie, Sue Collins, Lesleyann Foster, Colleen McManus, Ann Ross, Jennifer Linskey, Diane Monahan, Laurie Magee, Barbara Massey, Director Manny Leite, Children's Librarian Margi Rossetti, Trustee Joe Lally, Guest: Sara Halton.

Meeting called to order by President **Dave** Crimmins.

Minutes of April 4, 2018 were presented by **Sue**. Janice made a motion to accept the Minutes; second by Barbara. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report/Membership – Bernadette presented the Monthly Treasurer's Report for **April** and Year-to-date. Book Rentals and Book Shop are doing alright. We bought new Membership Envelopes. We received 2 memberships but we are still slightly behind last year. Jen will send out "Miss You" letters. Laurie made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report; second by Janice. Motion passed.

Book Sale/Raffle Update – Lesleyann said that we are most concerned about the leftovers books not being picked up plus the hallway is loaded with cartons of books intended for Big Hearted Books. Dave and Janice will investigate other options. Dave will see if Elementary Schools (BIT) will take some books. Lesleyann will fill out the forms for MA Lottery. Raffle tickets are being sold. Red Sox may be the most popular. Colleen, Lesleyann and Laurie all called in their connections and created terrific baskets! Lesleyann passed around the volunteer sheet to sign up for the Book Sale. There was discussion about selling a tote bag filled with books and what times would be best to promote this idea.

Founders Day, June 9– Sue has received acknowledgement from Founders Day Committee for a booth on the field. Sue proposes to sell children's books and give away lollipops and bookmarks. We plan on pulling the winning raffle tickets at the end of the day. Dave and Charles volunteered to help. Three other people signed up on their membership envelope so Sue will give them a call.

Report from Library Director – Manny said the Paranormal Evening drew a great crowd. Manny filmed an episode of the Boyden Beat with Lesleyann for the Foxboro Cable Access about the Book Sale. Different topics will be aired periodically. He's going to schedule music programs on Thursdays during the summer. The Interactive history of Nintendo will be coming and they'll provide plenty of time for people to play these vintage games.

Report from Children's Librarian – Margi is happy to have had many well attended programs recently. Make a Valentine was a drop in event. Science Tellers provide science experiments and then the children write about it. Steam Punk Jewelry was fun and the bracelets came out great. Howard Pink loves his French Horn and it was fun to watch him perform with everyday items such as a garden hose. April Vacation Week had a Yoga Camp and the Animal Adventures program was very popular. Mrs. Dow's Art Cart is coming. Margi is working on the Summer Reading Programs. She is gathering prizes and books to giveaway. She'll have popup drawings as incentives for children who are avid readers this summer. Fire and Ice is a science group that should be well attended. The Teddy Bear Picnic is coming. Mommy and Me Yoga and then Yoga for Tweens should be popular. Slime Time should be fun. Smart Robots for 11 year olds and older should attract a lot of Middle School students.

Trustee Report –Joe Lally said the big news is that **Tom Magee** was elected **Chair** and **Collin Earnest** was elected **Vice-Chair**.

Old Business:

1. **New Shelving** – **Janice** said both will be placed by the stairs. They have casters so we can wheel it anywhere. They are a medium blue. We are wondering what is taking so long for the damaged ones to be replaced. Manny will ask Christina to investigate and perhaps we hope we will have them for the Book Sale.
2. **“Miss You” Letter** –**Jen** got the letter from last year. She made some changes and got them copied. She will mail them out, usually 80. Hopefully we’ll get a positive response. Janice, Dave and Sue offered to help if needed.
3. **Chris Comier Hayes** is coming for a Book Club discussion on **June 13**. Twenty-five have signed up which is the desired number and Barbara will make sure that extra people don’t come in at the last minute. Barbara will also take care of the Honorarium for the speaker.

New Business:

1. **Farmers’ Market** – **Starting June 7-September 20, on Thursdays from 4-8 pm**. Sue will find out more information and hopefully we can set up a booth a couple times.
2. **Teddy Bear Picnic** – **July 19**, rain date July 26. Next month a few people can sign up to set up a table and sell children’s books and definitely have free lollipops to attract the little ones!
3. **Popup Banner** – waiting to hear when we can pick it up. Will have panels with Velcro.
4. **Election Day**- Dave, Charles and Ann will set up a table with informational materials.

Action Items:

1. **Janice & Dave** will investigate organizations that will **pick up the books** after Book Sale. Ideas are: Better World Books, BIT, and Janice will see how Sharon Library works with More Than Words.
2. **Dave** will pass out **lawn signs** for Book Sale.
3. **Young volunteers** are needed for set up and clean up for Book Sale. **Lesleyann** will ask Honor Society students and **Colleen** will get other teenagers.
4. **Janice** will organize shoebox with tape, colored stickers, etc.
5. **Manny** will ask Christina to find out about the shelving.
6. **Jen** will mail our “Miss You” Letters, Sue can help.
7. **Sue** will ask Debbie Giardino about specifics about the Farmers’ Market.

Adjourn: Jen made a motion to adjourn; second by Janice. Motion passed.

Next meeting – June 6, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the Community Meeting Room

Respectfully submitted: Sue Collins