

Friends of Boyden Library
Minutes of September Meeting
November 6, 2019

Present: Janice Rosado, David Crimmins, Bernadette Thie, Sue Collins, Lesleyann Foster, Charles DiPompo, Jennifer Linskey, Bob Boynton, Barbara Massey, Sara Halton, Christina Metcalf, Library Director Manny Leite, and Trustee Tom Magee.

Manny wrote the Friends a Thank You note for the vacuum cleaner for use in the library.

Janice Rosado called the meeting to order.

Giving Tree: **Janice** reported that **Colleen** will have the tree set up from 11/14/-12/9. Colleen is making tags that Diane made and she received names and items from the Discretionary Fund. Books can also be donated and put in the box or brought to the Children's Department. Colleen will check the bin but if anyone comes in, they can bring gifts to Manny's office. Box will be kept behind the Circulation Desk. Christina has looked into Christmas trees. Christina will purchase a tree and Manny will store it.

Minutes of October 2, 2019 were presented by **Sue Collins**. Date and misspelling will be corrected. Jen made a motion to accept the amended Minutes; second by Barbara. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: **Bernadette Thie** presented the Monthly Treasurer's Report for **October**: There were a few donations and Adam's check came in. Sue made a motion to accept Treasurers report; second by Dave. Motion passed.

Membership: **Sara Halton** said there were 2 new members. We are very close to last year's numbers. If we get new members at the Book Sale, they will be put in for 2020 but they will get a discount for a book on day of Book Sale

Newsletter: **Dave Crimmins** thanked **Jen** for editing and sending the Newsletters out electronically

- Articles due **December 30**. Newsletter will come out mid-January reminding people to send in dues
- There will be a raffle for people who join. Prize is tote bag filled with books and other goodies.
- Manny will write an article about the new staff member

Book Sale: Lesleyann Foster

- We have many bundles of special interest books.
- A few openings, especially to clean up on Sat. Colleen is working on it. Consider volunteering
- Lesleyann has been working on publicity.
- Dedham Corrections wants 10 boxes of various interests including How To books
- 3-5:15 is busy on Wed. in the Community Meeting Room but some things can be moved out
- Fuller Conference Room can be set up with Children's books
- Christina will print out some signs. Bernadette will check if she can find signs tomorrow
- Bob and Charles will distribute lawn signs on Sunday
- Sara will print out Friends members plus Life Time members for checkout table
- We will close from 12:30-1 and then start Bag Sale. Sell our new bags for \$1 or full bag for \$6
- More Than Words will come the Monday after the Sale

Report from Library Director: Manny Leite

- Spinney Series was very successful. Chris Bohjalian was terrific and well received! Manny will start looking for the next speaker. A very informative program was at another library where a patron was killed. We have panic buttons and other procedures in place to prevent such a catastrophe.
- Manny went to the SAILS Conference. New Bedford has programs at a laundromat, one is teaching young children to read.
- Working on the budget.

Report from Children's Librarian: Margi Rossetti was unable to come but Manny reported.

- Halloween Party was well attended.
- Joan Clifford Memorial Fund idea is to have Halloween in August. We suggested Margi can book the performer and we will be happy to pay.

Trustee Report: Tom Magee

- Spinney Series was great! Hoping the Book Sale is a great success. If you any questions, just ask.

Old Business:

- Sleeves for library cards came in sponsored by Barrows insurance

New Business:

- **Debbie Spinelli Little Free Library: Janice** donated some books to help the little library. Lesleyann is beginning to start this concept at the Igo Elementary School.
- **Senior Tax Program: Janice** said if you pay Foxboro property taxes and are over 60; fill out an application and CORI form at Town Hall to volunteer in the town. Residents can earn up to \$1,500 that will be applied to their property tax. Marc Craig talked to Christina and would like Seniors to find work at the library. They could sort; work at the Book Sale, etc. A job description needs to be written so Janice and Christina will work together. If anyone has an idea to include for the job description, email Janice.

Action Items:

- If you can help transport gifts to **Discretionary Fund** on **December 10**, let **Colleen** know
- **Christina and Janice** will work on **job description** for Senior Tax Program in the library. If you have an ideas of what should be included, let Janice know
- Articles for **Newsletter** is due December 30

Adjourn: Bob made a motion to adjourn; second by Lesleyann. Motion passed.

Next meeting – January 8, 2020 at 7:00 pm in the Friends Meeting Room

Respectfully submitted: Sue Collins