Friends of Boyden Library Minutes of January 8, 2014

Present: Diane Monahan, Dave Crimmins, Sue Collins, Howard Siegal, Liz Karvonen, Bernadette Thie, Diane Piper, Lesleyann Foster, Laurie Magee, Ann Ross, Director Jerry Cirillo and Trustee Ellen Pillsbury

Meeting called to order by Diane.

Minutes of November 6, 2013 were presented by Sue. Dave made a motion to accept Minutes; second by Liz. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report –**Dave** spoke of a total of 77 memberships so far, so we are half way to last year's memberships already. Dave presented his Treasurer's Report for October to December 2013 plus figures re-adjusted for the New Annual Cycle January to December 2014. Liz made a motion to accept the Report; second by Laurie. Motion passed.

Staff Report –Jerry Cirillo stated that Margi Rossetti could not attend due to illness. Jerry reported that in the Children's Department the Story Time has been moved from 6:30 to 7 PM. Two glass display cases for children's collections have been purchased. Eight-five percent of the children's collection has been tagged so staff is working hard to finish upstairs. Mrs. Dow's Art Cart will be invited back again. For Valentine's Day there will be a contest for Guess How Many Chocolate Kisses there are in a jar plus making a Valentine craft. There will be other activities for school vacation week in February. Jerry reported that the boilers are being re-adjusted. Kathy Bell-Harney is working on a new web page for the library that will be workable for computers, smart phones and tablets. Friends should look at the web link. Jerry is going before the Advisory Committee. There is a possibility that Sunday hours may be added from October to April.

Trustee Report –Ellen Pillsbury is delighted that the Sunday hours may be added starting in October 2014.

Programming – Howard reported that Jerry and he will be booking speakers for Adult Programming. Everyone is looking forward to this.

Newsletter –Liz said that the next edition should be going out in March. Emails will be sent out in February asking for articles.

Memberships – Laurie said that 26 of our members have paid \$75 or more which is excellent! Memberships continue to come in.

Book Sale – Diane M. and the committee were happy that they saw new volunteers plus experienced volunteers came back. Jerry stated that the new storage room upstairs would be ready at the end of the month. Shelving would be installed. Decisions have to be made about what books will stay downstairs and what will go upstairs. The next Book Sale will be held the 3rd week of May, 16 & 17th.

Giving Tree–Diane M. stated that even though it was arranged hastily, we had 28 tags taken and gifts received. Margie was happy with her book drive. Plus there was also a place for food donations.

New Business

- The Board was very happy with the **new card that was printed to promote the Friends** explaining who we are, what we do, library hours and how to join. It is very professional looking.
- Liz would like to reignite the **Membership Committee**. She went through her Idea List. Lesleyann, Dave and Liz are interested.

Adjourn- Sue made a motion to adjourn; second by Lesleyann. Motion passed.

Next Meeting: February 5, 2014 in the Community Meeting Room in the Boyden Library at 7:30 PM

Respectfully submitted, Susan Collins