Friends of the Ringwood Public Library Meeting Minutes: July 27, 2017

Next Meeting: September 14, 2017 at 7:15pm

Attendance
Lisa Petri, Heather Manley Caldwell, Eileen Manley, Amy Boyle Geisel, Carole Baligh, Susan Rakosi Rosenbloom, Karen Marcus, Claire Axelrod, Jessica Einreinhof, Sarah Lennington, Kathryn Grant.

Minutes: Heather Manley Caldwell moved to approve the Minutes from the June 8, 2017 meeting and Karen Marcus seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Treasurer Report:
Carole reported that there is $32,196.27 in the Friends account.

New Business:

AV update: Karen Marcus reported that at the last Board meeting, Tech Supervisor, Laura Henderson, requested the acquisition of a SMART board when the AV technology is updated. Discussion ensued about getting new AV quotes, shelving needed in closet for new equipment, protecting the new equipment from damage. Borough Hall just had upgrade and Amy will talk to Scott about their experience. The electric upgrade will take place in the library during the walkway renovation. Looking ahead, new computers and new IPADs will be needed in the next year. Amy mentioned need for grant writing for improved technology. Sarah Lennington asked about donating old IPADS.

Senior Outreach: Need to increase membership; senior outreach committee: Karen, Marge, Gail, Carole, Claire met in June. They created a survey. Survey will be given to Film Friday attendees in July. There needs to be a music committee to determine needs, possible grant from Passaic County Cultural Heritage Commission. Possible author visit, adult programs. Children’s and YA programs should not be run on a Friday during the summer.

Robotics Program: Bill Helphinstine, Ringwood resident, teacher of middle school STEM related classes in Rutherford, would like to bring the Arduino software program to the library in an 8 week session November-January, 90 minutes per session, for 4-6 graders. Partnership with Rec Department was discussed. Amy Boyle Geisel made a motion to accept Bill's proposal of July 26 to set up an 8 week program for maximum 15 children, minimum 8 children, at $55 per kit and $1200 for Bill's fee and to partner with the Rec Department for insurance and access to the Community Pass registration and publicity. Jessica Einreinhof seconded and the motion passed. September registration was suggested.

Harvest Fest Booth of Books: Jessica will handle the booth and volunteers will help.
**Agenda item** for September: pop up book shelves.

**Book Sale:** Eileen Manley presented the daily, hourly sign up sheets. Karen Marcus will contact Janine Graham about publicity to start in September, Save the Date bookmarks.

Discussion ensued about a financial gift to Darrell of $150.

Need for cash box, packing tape, Amy will contact CFA for need for used books.

**Book Sale Schedule as follows:**

- Sunday, October 8 – set up boxes, tables
- Monday October 9 – Drop off
- Tuesday October 10 - Drop off
- Wednesday October 11 – stop donations, sort
- Thursday October 12 – Sort, Pre Sale (hours 5-9) for Seniors, Friends, Association Members, volunteers
- Friday October 13 – hours 9-5
- Saturday October 14 – hours 9-3; Grab Bag from 3-4
- Sunday October 15 – box up remaining books, break down and clean up.

**Old Business**

No update on Brick Program and walkway renovation.

Karen Marcus will contact Lauren Tuttle to determine her availability in the fall.

The meeting adjorned at 8:40.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Marcus

July 30, 2017