

Friends of the Galway Public Library Minutes
February 18, 2014
Galway Town Hall

Present:, Ardeth Deay, Laura Sakala, Sharyn Kalinkewicz, Dot Gray, Barb McKean, Amanda Ferraro.

Absent: Bill Bateman, Jon Prasek, Linda Jackowski

The meeting was called to order by Amanda Ferraro at 7:00pm.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

A motion made by Dot and seconded by Barb was passed to accept the January minutes as presented.

TREASURERS REPORT

The treasurer's report was submitted.

Sharyn gave the library \$400 for cleaning over the next six months. Jim (their treasurer) will keep track of this expense and Cassandra will send us a cleaning expense report.

An e-report was submitted to the IRS verifying non-profit status

Sharyn reported that the January 2013 membership renewal count was 50, whereas the January 2014 renewal count was 64.

LIBRARY LIASION

JUNE 10 IS THE LIBRARY ELECTION DAY WITH THE PUBLIC HEARING ON JUNE 3.

Library Design Workshops & Brainstorming Sessions will be held February 26, 2014 from 7-9 p.m. and March 1, 2014 from 10 a.m. – noon, both at Galway Town Hall.

Discussed how to approach donors and ways to honor them.

Discussed survey results and bank loan possibilities.

Arlene, Bill Bateman, Jen Evans and Julie Ford are working to design and

populate a database to be used in the process of getting support for votes and volunteer help leading to a successful vote on the referendum for the bond for the new library.

New Library Director, Michol Tuttle, started February 17, 2014.

OLD BUSINESS

Amanda reported **Thursday, April 3 was set for a fundraiser at The Recovery Room in Amsterdam from 5-9 p.m.** We will be responsible for distributing coupons around the community and then get 15 percent of the proceeds from dinners of patrons presenting coupons that night.

A tentative date for a June Wine Tasting was set as Tuesday, June 17th, as June 3 and 10 are the dates of the library public hearing and vote.. Amanda will contact Bill re: connecting with Rick.

Amanda asked Cassandra (library's bookkeeper) if she could/would undertake auditing the books for FGPL for us; she has the request under consideration and will let us know after tax season.

NEW BUSINESS

Brainstormed fund development ideas:

Have Junior Friends; perhaps meet at same time as we do (bring more people, i.e. parents to our meetings.) Recruit through web presence; have adult advisor--Laura or a parent; advertise for members 12-18 through library newsletter and Galway Get Together; any teen interested living in school district come to organizational meeting; Laura will talk to superintendent about advertising through school; April 15 at 7 p ,m, at Town Hall. Laura will get information to Board for review. Bill can distribute through FGPL email list.

Have different levels of membership--tiered structure

Friends Board has been asked to provide refreshments and serve at Library Design Workshops & Brainstorming Sessions to be held February 26, 2014 from 7-9 p.m. and March 1, 2014 from 10 a.m. – noon, both at Galway Town Hall.

Wednesday Meeting: Dot and Amanda will serve; Ardeth, Laura, and Barb will make cookies.

Saturday Meeting: Amanda and Laura will serve; Amanda, Sharyn and Laura will make

muffins or coffee cake.

Memorial Day Book Sale will be held Monday, May 26. Amanda will ask Bill if he can spearhead this. Will need tickets for wine Tasting before this.

Sharyn will make sign advertising Recovery Room event for the Library Design workshops.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ardeth Deay, Secretary