FRIENDS OF THE GALWAY PUBLIC LIBRARY Board Meeting Minutes: November 20, 2012 Galway Town Hall – 7 PM

<u>PRESENT:</u> Sylvia Epranian - Chair Bill Bateman Publicity Sharyn Kalinkewicz - Treasurer Jon Prasek – Member at Large Margie Prasek Library Board Liaison <u>ABSENT:</u> Linda Jackowski – Member at Large

Ardeth Deay - Secretary Barb McKean Member at Large Dot Gray Member at Large Amanda Ferraro Vice Chair

Chair Sylvia Epranian called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM <u>SECRETARY'S REPORT:</u>

The minutes from the September 2012 meeting were approved as corrected. A motion was made by Dot to accept them, seconded by Sylvia. Motion was carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- A copy of the Treasurer's November 20112 Report was received from Sharyn Kalinkewicz.
- TOC collected \$871.50 to date; milk and janitor bills are outstanding.
- Still do not have #502 for permit for shed from the town.
- Amanda made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Dot. Motion was carried.
- Budget for 2013 was presented. Amanda made a motion to accept, seconded by Barb.
- Membership cards will be ordered with several improvements; e.g. website included
- After a discussion of the status of the raffle quilt, it was decided that the library needs to return the money collected to the donors, because we still await interpretation of the state gaming law.

LIBRARY LIAISON REPORT:

- Galway Public Library has been granted an Absolute Charter from the State of New York (previously provisional).
- Regina has received a NSF grant for Pushing the Limit: Making Sense of Science, a book discussion group for adults.
- A former trustee, Jan Johnson, has passed away
- A part-time public relations specialist has been hired
- Dockstader Trust has agreed to give money for a technical up-grade to the library computers
- Ed Pike, a new trustee, will now handle physical plant concerns for the library
- The Board of Trustees will be meeting twice a month for a while
- The village of Galway Board of Trustees will change their rules for whatever land is purchased, so that a special vote will not have to be held
- A request for architectural and geological proposal bids has been sent out.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Jon reported that the deck and shed project is completed except for the shelves, which are in process.
- Taste of Chocolate--see treasurer's report; bill suggested checking out the possibility of live music at next year's TOC and/or perhaps quick portraits (donated by High school student?);

also, publicity will have many new pictures for publicity. It was suggested that chairs be provided for the servers' comfort during the TOC

• Dot continues to gather information about the NYLA award for librarians from communities of 750 or less.

NEW BUSINESS:

• There will be a book sale on November 30 and December 1 at the library. Bill is sending out notices and posters to advertise it

• Election of officers: Amanda, as Membership Chair, presented a slate of officers for 2013.: Chair--Sylvia Epranian

Vice Chair--Amanda Ferraro

Treasurer--Sharyn Kalinkewicz

Secretary--Ardeth Deay

The secretary cast one vote for the 2013 slate of officers.

At 7:57 PM the meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting, Tuesday, January 15, 2012 at 7 PM, Galway Town Hall. All are welcome.

Respectfully submitted,

Ardeth Deay Secretary