

Bandon Library Friends and Foundation Regular Meeting

May 31, 2011

MINUTES

Present: Merle Logan, Linda Wilcox, Lorna Logan, Cathy Johnston, Maggie Karl, Jean Hanna, Will Piehl, Megan Maloney, Horty Joyce, Blaine Rose, Maureen Haggerty, John Hull and Deirdre Krumper. *Guests:* Tamsin Hanna, Alexis Proctor, Marilyn Noorda and Sterling Bush from the Friends of the Amherst, Massachusetts Library.

President Merle Logan called the meeting to order at 11:38 am.

Minutes of the BLFF meeting of April 26, 2011 were unanimously approved as written on a motion by Jean Hanna and second by Horty Joyce.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Linda Wilcox reported that for April 2011, income was \$897.22 and expenses were \$684.45. The current checking account balance was \$23,347.00 and the Endowment Fund held \$28,633.215. The Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved on a motion by Jean Hanna and second by Cathy Johnston.

Library Director's Remarks: Deirdre Krumper told the BLFF that the City was repaving the parking lot and changing its traffic pattern as part of an Urban Renewal grant to increase parking for the entire park complex. She said that both Alexis Proctor and John Morgan had been approved for membership on the Library Board. Deirdre was weeding the last third of the nonfiction collection. The library would be having a "Fire Safety" workday in June to get the library in compliance with the Fire Marshal's mandates.

Library Board Update: Deirdre said that at its May meeting Chair Nancy Stein announced that she would be resigning from the Art Committee shortly after her term on the board ended in June. John Morgan had attended his first meeting as a member of the board, along with Alexis Proctor, whose term would start in July.

Book Sales: Horty Joyce reported that the Neverending sale made \$624 for May. Cathy Johnston said that Mary Ann Soukup had agreed to try stocking books for the summer. The main summer sale is scheduled for July 14, 15 and 16. Cathy said that she and Horty were writing a document explaining how to sort books for the sales and were also trying to add more people to the roster of sorters. Cathy noted that library discards mostly did not go into the big sale, but were sold in the Neverending sale or put on the Exchange shelves. Horty noted that in the last 12 years that Cathy has run the sale, it has developed a reputation as one of the best in the state. Cathy replied that Bandon gets a lot of great donations.

Current Business:

Travel Night: Marilyn Noorda said that she and Linda Wilcox were planning to make a presentation about their trip to Italy. The talk is tentatively scheduled for Monday, June 27th. Lorna Logan volunteered to give a presentation on Guanajuato, Mexico, on July 25th. Marilyn said that she would like to have Travel Nights more frequently and asked for volunteers from the BLFF to present programs.

Movie Night: Cathy Johnston reported that 20 people attended May's film. Some people came because it was a comedy. "Marooned" is next on July 13th. She noted that a new schedule was needed for the upcoming 2012 films. Horty Joyce and Jane McCassey are on the Movie Night committee.

New Business:

Newsletter: Tamsin Hanna volunteered to publish the newsletter. The group decided that this needed to go out before the July book sale and could be folded at the June meeting. Tamsin's e-mail is: tamsin@tamsincompany.com. The group discussed issues of the newsletter and agreed to Maureen's suggestion that the newsletter could go on the website as soon as it was published.

Website: Maureen Haggerty suggested putting online donation and membership renewal forms on the website. These would be connected to the BLFF's active checking account. She said that the fiscal agent, PayPal, charged 30 cents per transaction plus 2% for each transaction. Another cost would be postage to mail out membership cards. After discussion, the group voted unanimously to set this up on a year's trial basis on a motion by Marilyn Noorda and second by Alexis Proctor.

Maureen said that she noticed that other Friends of the Libraries had associations with their local bookstores which offered discounts to "Friends" members. She suggested this as a member benefit. The BLFF agreed that she should check with Winter River books to see if they would be interested. Linda Wilcox passed around a brochure about the Friends of the Library that Suz Kling had brought back from the Seattle Public Library.

Electric Cart: Merle Logan said that a patron had crashed the cart into the furniture. He said that the speed governor did not seem to work. He raised the question of liability in case of an accident.

Van Den Assem Trust: Merle said that Carol Van Den Assem had left 20% of her estate to the BLFF. The sale was pending for her house at a final sale price of \$212,000. The BLFF would realize money from this once the sale went through. Other foundations were also beneficiaries of this trust.

Other: Merle bought up the issue of shelving. The group decided to look closely at the sorting area and see what furniture, if any, was needed. Marilyn Noorda mentioned that her husband recycled and would be glad to take cardboard and other discards from the library. Deirdre Krumper said that she needed specifics from the City on what issues needed to be addressed for the purposes of fire safety. She volunteered to E-mail the BLFF any files that she received on this issue. Cathy Johnston suggested that the July book sale could be advertised as a "Green Sale", with recycling of the discards. The group agreed.

The next meeting was set for June 28th 2011, at 10:30 am in the Sprague Room.

The meeting adjourned at 12:55 pm.

---Deirdre Krumper, Secretary