

Friends of the Bernardsville Public Library, Inc.  
November 14, 2012 Annual Meeting Minutes

The Friends Annual Board meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by President Roni Larini. In attendance were Mark Aronson, Steve Autenrieth, Karen Brodsky, Caroline Browne, Denis Dooley, Doug Doremus, Elizabeth Faulkner, Sarah Glazar, Roni Larini, and Rita Stein. Not present were Bob Baker, Georgiana Depew, Megan Hartley, Deborah Heimerl, Shikha Mayer and Janet George Murnick. Also in attendance were John Bertoni, Dorothy Carter, Dan Lincoln, and Nancy Verduin. Representing the Library Board of Trustees was Patrice O'Regan Cummings.

Public Comments

Patrice Cummings reported that the Bernardsville Library Foundation donated \$16,000 to the Library the previous evening. The Board of Trustees' 2013 budget will be presented to the borough in the beginning of December.

Approval of Minutes

Rita Stein moved to approve the September 19, 2012 meeting minutes, and Caroline Browne seconded. The motion passed unopposed. Mark Aronson abstained.

President's Remarks

Roni Larini spoke of the Library's integral role in the community over the past two plus weeks as borough residents coped with the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy. The Library staff welcomed 200-300 people daily. The Community Room was used as a refuge in which to warm up, and to charge electronic devices. Roni reminded everyone that the Friends social for incoming and outgoing members would be at her home on Friday evening. Roni reported on the great success of the Friends fundraiser, "An Evening with Bill Moyers," on October 26. She thanked Janet Murnick for communicating with Mr. Moyers; Sarah Glazar for organizing the printing and stuffing of invitations; Caroline for great publicity (Caroline recognized Madelyn English's efforts); Dan Lincoln for working on posters and bookmarks; Bob Baker for keeping the financial records; and everyone else who helped with the event.

Correspondence

Rita Stein informed the Board there was no correspondence.

Treasurer's Report

In Bob Baker's absence, Roni distributed his two documents. The Bill Moyers Event Income + Expense Statement showed that net funds raised for the event reached approximately \$10,000, plus another \$3,500 in donations. On the Summary of 2012 YTD & 2011 Cash Flows, Roni pointed out Direct Contributions will increase once the Fund Drive letter is sent.

New Business

Nominating Committee

Elizabeth Faulkner introduced the four new candidates to the Board: John Bertoni, Dorothy Carter, Dan Lincoln, and Nancy Verduin. She thanked the members of the Nominating Committee: Steve Autenrieth, Caroline, Shikha Mayer, Janet, and Rita. A document was distributed with the 2013 nominees for the Board (attached). She thanked Rita, who has to step down after two terms, for her years of dedication to the Friends. Elizabeth moved to accept six nominations to the class of 2015,

one to the class of 2014, and two to the class of 2013. Mark seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Finance Committee

Mark Aronson distributed the 2013 FBPL Proposed Budget, and pointed out some changes (i.e., the bricks fundraiser will no longer have a separate line, but will be included under Other Fundraising Programs). The monies from the Bill Moyers event will be carried over to next year's budget. Mark moved to approve the 2013 budget as presented, and Denis Dooley seconded. The budget passed unanimously.

Denis moved to adopt a resolution expressing the Board's appreciation to Bill Moyers, and his wife Judith Davidson Moyers, for his presentation on October 26, 2012, which was heartily received. Dan seconded it. The motion passed unopposed.

Mark moved to adjourn the Annual Meeting, and Rita seconded. All were in favor (and anxious to eat cake); the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Elizabeth Faulkner  
Recording Secretary