

Friends of the Bernardsville Public Library Board of Directors



October 4th, 2017 Minutes

Attendance:

Tim Coleman	Jamie Bertoni	Roni Larini	Terry Thompson
Sarah Glazar	Pat Carroll	Jerry Clark	Patrice
Lori Pakrul	Shura Arnold	Amy DeMilt	Maria Myers
Bob Baker	Steve Autenrieth	Nancy Goguen	Nancy Verduin

Absent:

Joanne Kavanagh	John Bertoni	Denis Dooley	Dan Lincoln
Leslie Brown Witt			

President remarks- Nancy Verduin

Kate's resignation leaves an opening on the board as well as recording secretary and fundraising chair. The nominating committee reached out to Nancy Goguen, who has been a member of the board for the past few months. Nancy Goguen was nominated to the open board position, with all board members voting for approval. She will fill out Kate's term.

Terry Thompson of the Board of Trustees provided information on the upcoming bond issue that will appear on the election ballot.

Vice President remarks- John Bertoni was absent and will present the September minutes next month.

Recording Secretary position is vacant. Amy DeMilt has volunteered to be considered for the position and will be include in the 2017/18 slate of officers. Thank you, Amy.

Correspondence – Maria Myers

There was no new correspondence.

Treasurer's report- Bob Baker

Updated financial reports were distributed. There were no significant changes in the expenses or revenue for this period. The value of the restricted fund is now reflected on the net assets details. The seal is needed for the creation of a new account. Nancy will check with Kate and retrieve the seal.

Bob made a motion to approve the quote, seconded by Jamie. A vote was made to accept the quote for the D&O insurance. Amy DeMilt will review the coverage and advise if any potential changes are recommended.

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Library Update- Shura Arnold

A copy of the stewardship letter was presented. Shura included that 1/2 the letters went via mail and the other ½ via email. It is an excellent vehicle to advise our supporters of what is occurring in the library and will be repeated a few times throughout the year.

A new museum pass will be offered for The Frick Collection. This should be announced as an opportunity to promote the engagement of the Friends.

Reports by committee chairs-

Fundraising- Chair position is vacant. We would look to fill this vacancy with the new slate of officers in November.

September Bingo- recap: 25 players, \$765-420 = \$345 + \$20 Donation + \$68 in food sales

Thanks goes to Roni and Debbie for the donations and Dan for the cookies and to Steve, Amy, John and Roni for support during the event.

October event

Publicity- lawn signs and sandwich boards for the event are displayed

A letter to the editor and the materials for the October Friends of the Library celebration mention the event. Maria is posting information on social media and the information in is the Bernardsville news.

The current silent auction items include:

- Myrtle Beach condo
- Lavallette beach house - Thank you Debbie
- Golf foursome Basking Ridge CC- Thank you Jamie & John
- Golf foursome Neshanic Valley Golf- Thank you Jerry
- Golf foursome NJ National – Thank you Jerry
- Library print from Library – Thank you Shura and the Board of Trustees
- Clock made by Dave Pakrul- Thank you Dave & Lori
- YMCA- Thank you Debbie
- Bernards Inn Brunch for two-

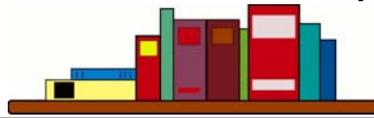
Restaurants:

- Vine – Thank you Roni
- Rudolph's- Thank you Jamie & John
- Sette- Thank you Debbie
- Bistro 73- Thank you Jamie & John
- Jockey Hollow- Thank you Pat
- Starbucks- Confirmed Nancy

Baskets:

- Lottery 'tree' or board- Donation from interested board members please provide \$5 to Roni.
- Baby Basket- Thank you Shura- please provide details to Jamie

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- 2 Foundation wine baskets-Thank you Leslie and Foundation members
- Shikha- basket- Thank you. Please provide details to Jamie

Pending: Shoprite, Gary's

The committee is addressing areas of opportunity from last year:

- Silent auction item checkout- Jamie and Debbie
- Table reservations for groups- Roni

Campaign subcommittee- The letter was drafted and given to the print shop for printing.

Annual letter will be in the next newsletter and will be printed with a coupon which can be used for contributions. Shura is updating the out of town version. We expect to mail the letters the last week of October.

Public Relations- Subcommittee met (Bob, Denis, Shikha, Maria, Nancy & Nancy G)

National Friends of the Library Week- October 15-19: See checklist of activities, lobby case, letter to the editor, and balloons throughout the library.

CDs for the housebound- Denis was not in attendance

Finance- Jamie Bertoni- Budget is pending approval at the November meeting

Programs- Dan Lincoln was not in attendance

Movies report: Sept

Movie October: Fences- Nancy V can attend.

The Friends agreed to purchase a photography book for the library to honor Ed's engagement and moderating of the movie series.

Sunday at Three Concert: Report for 10/1 concert- 49 attendees, \$68 in contributions

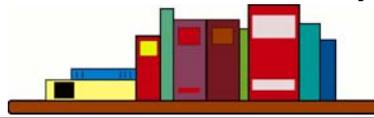
Next concert 12/10 Michaela McLain

A patron who attended the 10/1 event has expressed interest in being a member of the program committee. Shawn was invited to join us on 10/3 but was unable to be there. We will invite him to future meetings and engage him with the program committee.

Nominating- Shikha Mayer

Nancy Goguen was voted in to fill our Kate's term. Jerry Clark is interested in a board seat with the November slate. Joanne Kavanaugh, Roni Larini, and Sarah Glazar are stepping down from the board. Two board seats remain open as of November.

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Volunteer Recognition- Sarah Glazar & Lori Pakrul

No specific events for the committee until the holiday bags in December.

Public Comments

Board of Trustees- Terry Thompson and Patrice Cummings- Thanks to the Friends for their continued support of the library

Foundation- Leslie Brown-Witt- not in attendance but provided an update in advance of the meeting as to the Foundations intention to offer two wine baskets for the October event.

Old Business/new business

Winter camp- Do we want to support a mini golf event for the winter camp? Tim, Amy, Jerry, Steve and Nancy V will engage with the library on supporting a mini golf event. Tim is to work with Tammy on the options.

The next board of Directors meeting is November 1 at 7 for the annual meeting, followed by a reception for members retiring from the board and a reorganization meeting. Shikha will get a cake. Pat will ask Ed English to attend so we can recognize him for his engagement as noted in the programs section.

Meeting agenda topic key dates:

1. November
 - Annual meeting
 - Budget approval
 - Committee Chair/Officers
2. December meeting- no meeting

Friends of the Bernardsville Public Library Key Dates 2017

Meeting Dates: (half the room unless noted otherwise):

11/1/2017-annual meeting (whole room),

December - no meeting

Concerts: Dec. 10

Annual Campaign: October 2017

National Friends of the Library Week: October 15-21

Raffle and bookmark winners to be announced on 10/20.

October Event- Bernards Inn- 10/27