

Friends of the Lucy Robbins Welles Library, Inc.

Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

December 8, 2010

In Attendance

Executive Board: Brian Wood (Vice President), Marcia Montgomery (Secretary), Mary Wood (Treasurer)

Advisory Board: Phil DesJardins, Carol Jordan, Ann Marino, Mary Jane Michaels, Regina O'Connell, Dori Womer, Sue Wright – Liaison

Library Officials: Lisa Masten (Acting Director)

Absent: Kaye Burke, Natalie Harbeson (President), Christy McDonald, Anne Sousa, Michelle Tine, Anita Wilson

Guests: Andrew Kerantzas, Belinda Santos, Maraidh Thomsen, Andrew Wood

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Vice President, Brian Wood.

The minutes from the November meeting were accepted as amended.

The Treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – No report

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT – No report

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Lisa Masten reported in 2 weeks patrons will be starting to use the download for audio books e-books from home. They will be able to rent e-readers for 2 weeks and MP3 players for 2 weeks.

The HVAC Project is waiting to be done. The air conditioning failed during the summer.

Excel classes will be held in the Community Room.

The children's department will show "How to Train Your Dragon" during vacation.

Children's Winter Reading will begin on January 18th and Adult Reading on January 20th. "Love Your Library" is the theme.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE – The committee will meet in January to determine what to do when our CD's are due.

MEMBERSHIP – No report

BOOK SALE – The November Book Sale was very successful. We grossed \$16,246.35. The wrap up meeting is scheduled for December 4, 2010. There are boxes in the Trailer that need to be resorted.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE No report

COMMUNICATION

Mailing – No report

Website - The Library site is up-to-date.

EVENTS

- a.) Tellabration –The attendance was small this year. There are questions about scheduling and location.
- b.) 50th Anniversary Committee – Phil and Sue reported that everything is in place for the Wine and Cheese Social on January 21, 2011. Connecticut Beverage Mart will do the wine tasting. There will be a “blurb” on Newington television. We will have a “Teacup Auction” and Steve Casillas will play from 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m.
- c.) June 18, 2011 at the Sphinx Temple. Michael’s Caterer’s will handle the food.

FUNDRAISING

- a.) Friends’ Corner – The Library is trying to keep the sales of 50th Anniversary items separate from regular items.
- b.) Macy’s Charity Gift Wrap will be December 22, 2010

ADVOCACY COMMITTEE – No report

ADOPT-A-SHELF – No report

FOCL/ALTAFF – No report

OLD BUSINESS-

- a.) Wild Apricots Saas – Brian reported eventually it will cost us.

NEW BUSINESS-

- a.) We voted and approved the new Advisory Board Members. They are Belinda Santos, Maraidh Thomson and Andrew Kerantzas.
- b.) A suggestion was made by Ann Marino to move “old and new business” to the middle of the agenda. Possibly after the Library Director’s Report and before the Committee Reports. It was voted on and approved.
- c.) Maraidh would like to work on a Facebook Page for the Friends. This would be a good way to remind people of upcoming events.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marcia Montgomery

Secretary