

Minutes – Friends of the Salem Library – July 12, 2015

The July 12 meeting of the Friends of the Salem Library was called to order by the president, Charlie Draper.

The attendance was 20.

The secretary read the minutes of the March meeting which were approved as read.

The treasurer's report included the following amounts: checking - \$17,628.25, savings - \$1,751.35 and 3 CDs - \$12,000.00 for a total of \$31,379.60.

Announcements

Hilary Kennard was introduced and welcomed as the new Children's Services Supervisor.

The children's and teens' summer programs are very active with over 160 enrolled.

John Spruhan announced that St Pauls has a large meeting room with a large video screen in its new wing that may be available for community uses.

Pat Draper has agreed to take on the job of Historian for the group.

Old Business

The May Art Show was very successful. There were many compliments and expressions of gratitude from people who attended. Charlie Draper read a very complimentary note sent to the Friends by a parent of one of the participating students.

The Tidying Workshop we helped sponsor was very successful. So many people signed up that Cheryl ran a second series of workshop sessions.

The Friends allocated money for cups to be given out at outreach events. Anne Tripp reported that they have been very well received.

The book Natural Virginia has been placed in the library in memory of Alice Peters.

Charlie Draper reported that after further research he determined that the sound system we appropriated money for was not adequate. He reported on a system that is more suited to the space and the needs for the system. In response to a question during discussion Anne Tripp indicated that the library has need for the system apart from its use for our meetings.

Leisa Thompson moved that we allocate up to \$1100.00 for a system to include 2 handheld mikes with stands, one interface, and some cables. This system can be expanded. Margaret Heurtematte seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The new book drop still has not been installed. The city staff needs to do some outside work before it is installed.

#### New Business

Book sale chairman Ken Sosnowski spoke on plans for the sale. We will start sorting on Monday, August 17. Before that date the Boy Scouts will move the books from storage. He plans to put the children's books out in the library where they were last year and put some other items out there also. Betty Dickerson will pick up some of the leftover paperbacks for jail inmates.

The book sale schedule is as follows:

Member Sale	Sept. 11	9:30 to 11:30
Member Luncheon	Sept. 11	12:00 to 1:00
Public Sale	Sept. 11	1:00 to 4:00
Olde Salem Day	Sept. 12	9:00 to 5:00
Clearance Sale	Sept. 13	1:30 to 4:00

The deadline for articles for the newsletter is August 17. Margaret Heurtematte volunteered to write an article on Hilary Kennard.

Leisa Thompson brought up plans for a second Telebration (Storytelling) Event on November 22. The issue was tabled until the October meeting.

Joyce Foster brought up the death of long time member Myrtle Plybon. Myrtle was active in sale preparation and the sale activities as long as her health permitted.

Margaret Heurtematte moved we allocate up to \$50.00 to place a book in the library in her memory. Gail Evans seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The next regular meeting will be Sunday, October 11, 2015.

The meeting was adjourned.

Susan Ahalt, Secretary