

Friends of the KFL Meeting Minutes
January 14, 2019

In Attendance: Michelle Conners (Library Director), Allison Atkins (Assistant Director), Deb Redding-Sampson, Sue Patterson, Donna Gomez, Dan Riggall, Stu Flavin, Julie Ottomano, DD Harrington, Henry Bourgeois, Jean Whitney, Peg Nelson, Joan Carroll (recorder)

Minutes from November 5, 2018 were reviewed and unanimously accepted

Old Business

1. Deb shared that outgoing Friends leaders, Julie Ottomano and Peg Nelson, were recognized with respective new books placed on the library shelves: *The Best of Us* by Robin Carr, and *The Dreamers* by Karen T. Walker.
2. Membership: Michelle stated that we had a total of 63 dues paying Friends in 2018; to date for 2019 we have 22.
3. Book Sorting: There will be a book sorting of predominately non-fiction books this Wednesday, January 16th from 5 pm to 7 pm. Goal is to prep for our February 2nd book sale and sort/ cull non-fiction and cookbooks for sending to Better World Books.
4. Book Sale: A sign-up sheet for the February 2nd book sale was passed. Simpler pricing for this and other sales was discussed; decision is to price children's books at 2/\$1.00, paperback books (fiction and non-fiction) at \$1.00, and hardcover at \$3.00. **Michelle** will print out new signage.

The purpose of our book sales (or any Friends fundraising) is to raise funds for library needs, benefit the community, allow for use and sale of our donated books, and keep our shelves up-to-date.

5. Week of the Young Child concert: Deb brought up a request to fund a performer for a children's concert during the annual Week of the Young Child (April) at the library. The Friends voted to fund this in the amount of \$300.00. **Deb** will inform Maria (children's librarian) that she can plan for it.

New Business

1. Mentors: One outcome of the November Friends meeting was the desire to reach out to new Friends by providing them with mentors. Tonight Deb, Donna and Joan said they would be available to serve as mentors to new members. They will set up a time to meet and plan.
2. Bake Sale: Several years ago, Friends' book sales were accompanied by a bake sale. It was decided to try this again with our May 4th book sale in conjunction with the Fairie Festival. A further suggestion was to include sale of coffee with sale of smaller baked items. When soliciting baked goods (large or small) donors will be asked to individually wrap, include their recipe, and/or note nuts or no nuts. A "Friends only" pre-sale for the May 4th book sale will be held on Friday, May 3rd from 5:00-6:00 pm. Idea was raised to try an early morning pre-sale on day of book sale—would it be chaotic? Poll attendees in May?

Other

1. The purchased telescope has been well received and is now available to take out.
2. The huge re-shelving task is now completed.
3. Kathy Ostrander-Roberts' books on Kennebunk history will be on display.

Upcoming Friends' Meetings (always 6:00 pm): April 22nd, September 9th, November 4th (Annual Meeting)