

Friends of the Town and Country Public Library
Minutes of March 20, 2014
Board of Directors

- 1) **Call to Order:** Lori Crimmins called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.
- 2) **Roll Call:** Directors Present: Lori Crimmins, President; Joan Hansen, Executive Vice-President; Bill Grabarek, Treasurer; Tania Miller, Secretary; Robert Harford, Jack Shallberg, JoAnn Vanthournout. Other Members present: Pat Schuberg, Helen Harford, Marilyn Stamp, Dorothy Hanson. Directors absent: None. Library staff: Lynn Alms.
- 3) **Additions/Changes to the agenda:** None.
- 4) **Approval of Minutes:** 9/12/13 Robert H. moved; JoAnn V. seconded.
- 5) **Treasurer's Report:** Submitted by Bill G. Current balance as of 3/20/14 = \$1,800.14. Previous balance \$3,998.58. Total revenue through today \$2,259.92. Expenses \$208.36. Net \$6,050.14. Total gifts to Library \$4250.00. Motion to approve the report and balance and \$300 donation to library for Dewey Dash by Marilyn S., Bill G. seconded. A copied \$73.91 check from Better World Books passed around.
- 6) **Membership:** Submitted by Bill G. Current membership has increased by 2 today and there are now 71 members to vote at meetings.
- 7) **Hospitality:** Submitted by Joan H. The coffee bar area needs more space. On Saturdays, need more volunteers for helping with the coffee bar. The customers at coffee bar are a nice group of people.
- 8) **Publicity:** Submitted by Joan H. Discussed the garden raffle and will place fliers out in April and advertise in the local newspapers.
- 9) **Website:** Submitted by Robert H. Customers can pre-order plants on the website for the Annual Plant Sale. No money exchanged, only customer's name and # and type of plants. Thinking about an audio page and facebook.
- 10) **Fundraising:** Submitted by Joan H. Historical notecards were discussed. The Historical Society supports this fundraiser. New notecard sets offered every year. New suggestions given: pictures of activities during Elburn Days, Christmas theme (wreath adorned houses or farms, library). Need for pictures from local families (able to scan and give back). 2014 Annual Plant Sale is May 9 & 10. Plant prices stay the same: \$3.75 each or 3 for \$11.00. At plant sale, postcard renewal membership reminders can be self-addressed by members. Volunteer signup sheet passed around: Presale setup Thursday, sale 9 am-3 pm Friday, and sale 9 am-12 pm Saturday. Ordered 90 dozen plants. The Spring Garden Raffle consists: garden bucket filled with (garden supplies, books, garden decorations) and painting by Val Peroni and handmade quilt by Liz Graves. The Garden raffle price: 1 ticket for \$1 or 6 tickets for \$5. New names discussed: Blooming Bucket. Raffle drawing: 5/10/14 at 12 pm. Setup raffle display 4/14/14. 2015 Page a Day calendars (Book Lovers) will be priced at \$5 for customers. We will order 60 calendars by the end of March and price has increased from \$2.50 to \$3 from the calendar company. "Friends" will give 28-30 calendars to shut-ins. The "Friends" book sale will occur this year during Elburn days because we have a good system with BWB and setup (AI).
- 11) **Comments Library Staff/Board:** Submitted by Lynn A. The 10th Annual Dewey Dash will be 4/13/14. Hopefully the weather will be good. The theme is Winnie the Pooh and Dr. Who. Costumes are welcome and the best costumes will be awarded prizes. The Dash t-shirts are green this year. Many volunteers are needed for the Dewey Dash. Historical note cards were passed around at a village lunch meeting along with a presentation. The 5 year plan was discussed: marketing, social media, and twitter followers. The 2013 Elburn X-mas Stroll library visitors were down. Trivia Bee this weekend (3/22/14) and their team name is Night Crawlies.
- 12) **Old Business:** None.

13) **New Business:** None.

14) **Next Scheduled Meeting:** May 15, 2014.

15) **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m. by Helen H. and Bill G. seconded.

Respectfully Submitted
Tania Miller, Secretary