

March 2, 2020

Friends of the Arlington Library Board Meeting Minutes

Present: Kelly Fado, Martin Pippins, Judith Kindell, Joni Sterne, Jamie Krovontka, Laura Porter, Maggie Colston (and Baby Claire), Gineane Goldsmith, Peter Petruski, Halyna Hodges, Jane Posner, Sharyn Meister, Kate Summers

I Book Sale

Consider two Membership tables at the book sale - one for checking membership list and filling out forms, and one for processing sales of memberships.

MOTION: Kate moved to provide \$500 for Marx to obtain food for the book sale; Sharyn seconded; motion was approved unanimously by the Board.

MOTION: Judy moved to issue \$50 book sale credits to five organizations: Darcy Compton (an Arlington ESL Teacher), Arlington Chapter of OAR, New Hope Housing, Read Across America (for placement in Arlington Free Clinic), and DC Books to Prisons; Sharyn seconded; credits as noted were approved unanimously by the Board.

Consistent with offer to non-Arlington teachers, all FOAL Bucks will be \$5.00 off a \$10.00 purchase. Need to reprint the FOAL bucks with our new logo and no date, so they can be used ongoing. DVDs and CDs will be 5 for \$1.00 unless otherwise marked; on Sunday, 10 for \$1.00. Ask people to bring their own bags/boxes.

How to get leftover books out? One option: make a flat donation to high school groups in exchange for XX hours of work - if they pack into Better World boxes, the Library can schedule a pickup.

Kelly rented a cube storage pod just in case COVID-19 forces a cancellation/postponement of the book sale. She will provide plenty of Purel, Clorox wipes, gloves, tissues, and other hand-sanitizing stations.

Cash registers were purchased from American to save money on rental and shipping fees. There is still an integrated data processing fee. Banners have been ordered for the book sale.

II Library Update

Columbia Pike renovation is scheduled to start in June 2020 and reopen in Fall 2020.

Courthouse Plaza is also scheduled for a renovation to a full-service branch, and is scheduled to open in Fall 2020. Perhaps National Landing will secure a library branch? There is an open hearing with the County - still no date announced.

III Part-Time Employment

By email vote, in which Jamie Krovontka did not participate, the Board approved hiring Jamie for a part-time position ensuring that our memberships are acknowledged automatically via the website or manually when checks are received, and providing personalized acknowledgments of donations. She will follow up with donors, and will provide fundraising services and support with the goal of increasing individual and corporate donations.

12 laptops were stolen from The Shop; a police report has been filed, and an investigation is underway.

Board Decisions

- **Approval of \$500 for Marx to supply food at Book Sale; and**
- **\$50 Book Sale credits to 5 organizations as noted in minutes above.**
- **Hire Jamie Krovontka in a part-time fundraising role.**