

FOAL BOARD MINUTES – May 2, 2022

Board Members Present: Kelly Fado, Rob Hizon, Marty Pippins, Jamie Krovontka, Laura Porter, Jane Posner, Sharyn Meister, Halyna Hodges, Judy Kindell, Kate Summers, Claire Christian.

Board Members Absent: Maggie Colston, Sheila Leonard

Library Representative Present: Peter Petruski

1. Approval of April Minutes – without objection
2. Library Presentation and Budget Request

The Library system is receiving a one-time sum of \$543,000 from Arlington County for collections with the goal of reducing wait times to 8 weeks or less.

The other goal they have for this coming Fiscal Year is to get patrons back into the library.

Some data from FY21-22:

- 2320 Summer Reading Participants
- 1620 Programs in the Library
- 29 Maker programs since reopening in January 2022
- 19 book clubs with 270 new books introduced
- 2347 checkouts of Board Games

Budget Request – under discussion by Board.

Board requested data from the library on Arlington Reads attendance.

3. Hot Wash from April Book Sale

Thanks to Marty, Rob, Kieran, Joe, Merri and Peter!

1. 400 Boxes were packed up after the sale, 200 left, carts were all returned
2. New vendor to pick up books – Discovery – they use a pallet and can clear a sale in an hour. We'll try them with the remaining books
3. Marty is working on a proposal to make the cage bigger to assist with future sales.
4. Front Table books were a huge challenge. We need a different system
5. The larger aisles worked much better
6. Need to tweak the volunteer hours a bit for the next sale
7. Ideas for future – pop up sales for Front Table and kids books; need to find way to have break down be easier.
8. We need to purchase our own tables and maybe some more book cases
9. Members night needs earlier start but the 8:30pm end time worked well.
10. Tickets via mail to members worked really well.

4. Other Business

Marty wants to leave the Board and run our book sales

Halyna is leaving the Board

Jamie is moving to be our Membership Manager.

Our Executive Committee Nomination slate

President: Claire Christian

Vice President: Jane Posner

Secretary: Laura Porter

Treasurer: Judy Kindell

Openings

- Aurora Hills Rep
 - Shirlington Rep
 - Plaza Rep (reopens in 2023 post construction)
 - Special Events Coordinator (vacated by Halyna)
 - Volunteer Coordinator (Maggie moved away and is helping until we find someone).
5. After the meeting, the Board unanimously approved
- a. A contract for Marty Pippins to run the next three book sales
 - b. Overtime not to exceed 20 hours for Joe to close out this book sale and organize the storage cage.