

April 4, 2022

Friends of the Arlington Library BOARD MEETING Minutes

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

Board Members Absent: Rob Hizon

Others Present: Pete Petruski, Shari Henry (Arlington County Library), Marquan Jackson (APAH)

Meeting commenced at 7:01 pm

MOTION: To approve Minutes from March 2022 meeting.

Kate Summers moved, Sharyn Meister seconded.

MOTION APPROVED unanimously.

I SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Shari Henry (APL) and Marquan Jackson (APAH) presented to the Board about a proposed APL-APAH, which would run from June 21-July 29 and include 1st to 3rd graders in Affordable Housing; hoping this program will have an impact on the cycle of poverty. FOAL would serve as a collaborator/partner; APL-APAH is requesting \$12,000 to help fund the program (will be included in the library budget request in May 2022.) Also requesting book donations for the children in the program.

II LIBRARY

Summer Reading Program will partner with The Potomac River Conservancy and the theme will be “Oceans of Possibility”; Nationals will also partner again - program will run June 1 to September 1. The Branches are getting regular refreshes in their bookstores; sales are up, primarily at Central and Shirlington. Arlington Reads will continue virtually until the fall. A new Maker Space librarian has joined the staff. The Library is planning to run a re-engagement campaign for lapsed users.

III TREASURER

Audit is still in progress; \$2.5M in ACF, \$141K in banks; still looking to change banks to one that better supports FOAL’s needs.

IV BOOK SALE

Volunteers are set and waivers will need to be signed on-site. Wednesday night will be the volunteer sale night. Include some “language” in the newsletter about expected behavior at the sale. Clarity is needed for general pricing. Maggie will finalize the Member list for Thursday’s sale.

V OTHER

The Columbia Pike Literacy Party planning is set for April 30 from 1:00-3:00 pm. The June Board meeting will take place at Ballston Local.

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 pm.