

FRIENDS OF THE AMESBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY MEETING MINUTES
January 08, 2018 at the Amesbury Public Library Local History Room 7:00PM - 1 of 2

APL Friends Board and Managers: Christine Conant, Crystal MacKay, Janet Geanoulis, Erica Puorro
Library Personnel: Erin Matlin

Additional Friends and Community Attendance: Nicole Harry, Billie Porter, Mary Chatigny, Judy Eby, Clayton Brostowin, Christine Remus, Lori Haraske, Shannon Carroll, Caitlin Thayer

Secretary's Report: (document dated December 4, 2017)

Minutes from the December meeting were approved.

Library Director's Report to the Friends: (document dated January 8, 2017)

Highlights include:

- There is a vacant page position.
- The staff is working on getting the air conditioners covered.
- The Library was closed on 12/25/17, 1/1/18, and will be closed on 1/15/18.

Library Requests

The board approved \$955.76 in library requests, including:

- \$216.76 for Clare Dombrowski's request for Summer Reading supplies.
- \$499.00 for Margie Walker's requests for programming, including Teen Winter Reading Program (\$160), and LGBTQ+ and Game Day (\$150), and replacement stools for the Teen Room (\$189).
- \$240.00 to renew the Sam's Club Membership (\$45) and The Isabella Stuart Gardener Museum pass (\$195).

Treasurer's Report: (document dated December 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017)

Treasurer's report highlights included:

- Provident Bank balance 12/31 = \$5,271.68
- Newburyport 5 Savings Bank balance 12/31 = \$5,313.84
- Earmarked \$3,560 from closed (additional) Newburyport 5 for expenses to be determined

Book Shop Report:

November sales were \$836.

- Regular Book Shop Proceeds were \$598.
- Special Holiday Sale Proceeds were \$238.

Membership Report:

There was 1 new membership and 1 renewal membership in December.

Marketing Report:

- Upcoming social media posts will concentrate on the Special Media Sale, and the Year of Baskets program.

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Old Business

2017 Cookie Walk

- Thanks to all bakers. There were 32 varieties of cookies donated this year.
- The Cookie Walk raised \$404.
- There was a recommendation made to move the Walk back to an earlier date in the future.
- Leftovers were packaged and donated to the Fire and Police Stations and the Senior Center.

Year of Baskets

- Mostly comprised of donations, some purchases have been made.
- Erin reviewed a list of items still needed.

New Business

Vacancies

- There were multiple first and second time attendees at the meeting, some of who were interested in holding a position on the board.
- New attendees introduced themselves and expressed what they were interested in helping out with.
- The former president discussed what the open roles required.
- A vote to fill the vacant President and Vice President positions will be held at the February Meeting.

Adjourn:

The next Friends of the Amesbury Public Library meeting is February 5, 2018 at 7:00 PM.