

Friends of the Edgartown Public Library
Minutes of Meeting
Monday, June 8, 2009

The meeting was called to order by Co-President Ellen Gurnitz at 3:30 PM.

Present were: Marvene O'Rourke, Janice Belisle, Dave Blackburn, Felicia Cheney, Jean Brennan, Carolyn Edmunds, Sinclair Hitchings, and Ellen Kaplan.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the April 27th meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Janice Belisle reported the balance in the checking account is \$8,442.89 and the CD remains at \$15,720.09.

Director's Report

Library Director Felicia Cheney presented the proposed schedule for Summer Music Events as well as the advertising plan and cost for the summer music programs and the Morning Glory Farm Event for consideration by the Friends. A brief discussion followed regarding options for unscheduled evenings. All suggestions for potential programs are to be forwarded directly to Virginia Munro.

The Director requested assistance for these programs from the Friends which would include helping to set up, take down, distribution of posters throughout Edgartown and providing refreshments for each event. Felicia will develop a sign-up sheet for these events so that Friends may volunteer help individually.

The Director also reported that the Friends had received a total of \$2,172.25 from the Library in FY 09 for printing, copying and faxing. Friends had previously voted to return these funds to the Town of Edgartown since we no longer paid for the copy machine and those present concurred the Treasurer should transfer the funds to the Town before the end of FY 09.

President's Report.

Co-President Ellen Gurnitz reported to the members that the Volunteer Day, May 20, was a lovely affair. She said all volunteers were pleased with the letters of thanks, honorary memberships to the Friends organization and Library bags presented by the Friends. A similar event honoring Library volunteers will be held annually on the Wednesday before Memorial Day.

Ellen announced the following events to which all Friends are invited:

- 1) Multi-Library Friends Event on Thursday, June 18 from 10 AM to 1 PM at the Vineyard Haven Public Library. Ellen invited those interested in attending to co-ordinate with her.
- 2) The Foundation's Gala Brunch scheduled for Sunday, July 12 at Noon in the Field Club. Invitations will be sent to the Friends.

With the tenure of the current officers expiring, the President called for volunteers to form a Nominating Committee for election of officers at the Friends meeting August 24, 2009. Anyone

interested in serving on the Nominating Committee or holding an office for the Friends, please contact Ellen or Marvene.

Action

Discussion was held regarding the cost of advertising and/or programming for the summer events and the possibility of Friends annual contribution to the Library being used for this purpose. It was moved, seconded and unanimously passed for the Friends to provide \$1,250 as part of the Friend's annual contribution to the Library and to revisit the Friends' contribution to the Library in the fall.

Other Business

The next meeting was scheduled for July 30, at 5:30 PM in the Library.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Marvene O'Rourke
Co-President