

Friends of Bolinas Stinson Beach Libraries Board Meeting

Stinson Beach Library Monday October 17, 2016

Call to order: 6:03 pm

Attendees:

Anna Gade
Larry Distasi
Sam Matthews
Matt Yerington
Belinda Zell
Bonny White-guest
Sarah Folsom-guest
Grace Godino-guest

Absent:

Pat Barton
Kristie Tillapaugh
Martin Cline
Brenda Stine
Gwen Helstand
Audrey Goodman

Announcements:

In the absence of our secretary, minutes were taken by Danielle Salone-Chen. Ann Walsh, the former president of Friends of Bolinas Stinson Libraries, was visiting as a member of the advisory board.

Motion:

Matt Yerington moved to approve the amended minutes of the July 18, 2016 meeting. Larry Distasi seconded. Unanimous vote-ayes.

Financial Report: Sam Matthews and Sarah Folsom

Contributions exceeded our budget by \$1000.

Rent may be increased by 2-3% which will be reflected in the July 2017 payment.

Al Engle, the landlord, has been performing repairs and adding the expense to the rent. He is extremely proactive to the needs of his properties and does not want to wait to get approval from Friends of the Libraries as it takes too long, in his opinion. Sam expressed a way for The Friends to pay for maintenance would be to take money from the savings and put into the checking for the 2017 budget. It would be a line item of \$4259.

Website update:

Brenda Stine was absent, add again to January 23, 2017 agenda.

Advisory Board:

As of yet, advisory board members have not been asked to contribute. The question is how do we engage them for the good of The Friends. Ideas include:

- Potential board member(s)
- Support library efforts
- Attend meetings
- Provide skills/suggestions to improve the work of the Friends

Nominations Committee:

The board has two immediate places to fill: Treasurer and a new board member.

- Treasurer: The group questioned to find a new board member or consult with Sarah Folsom on her recommendation. The group was also asked to think of potential candidates.
- A new board member: Adding one more member will bring the total to 15.

As of this meeting, the members of the nominating committee are:

Anna Gade
John Hutchinson
Suzanne Ritchie
Other members are welcome to be included.

In the libraries:

Bonny thanked us all very much for our work on behalf of the libraries! She prepared a list of events that are now happening in the libraries. In Stinson, Larisa is teaching Computer Confidence, a class to make greeting cards from recycled paper will happen on Nov 9 and 13, and the art show Painting West Marin Ranches and Farms. In Bolinas, Camilla holds bilingual story time the second and fourth Thursdays of the month. And at both libraries the children's rooms have implemented a new way to catalog books. She suggested reading the link which explains the process: http://lj.libraryjournal.com/2010/05/public-services/the-dewey-dilemma/#_

Kerry Livingston explained the exhibit she installed along with Armida Newsted, Painting West Marin Ranches and Farms. The paintings were lent to the library by the artists.

For the Good of the Order:

The group was questioned on how to acknowledge the donor base. What are some ideas? Some were:

- Benefit? Dance?
- Bill Quist to play a concert?
- Host the big donor's at Anna's?
- Poetry and Jazz "Beatnik Party"?
- Engage the advisory committee for ideas as well

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Motion:

Adjournment 7:16pm

Next meeting:

January 23, 2017 at the Bolinas-Stinson School Library (under the clock tower).

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle Salone-Chen
(in lieu of Kristie Tillapaugh)