Meeting Minutes Friends of the Durham Library August 11, 2011, Main Library

Attendance: Vicki Hertz, Angela Zoltners, Jaime Danehy, Rob Rabb, Eve Marion, Ann Rebeck, Betty Danielson, Jan Hessling, Kimberly Gilbert, Anastasia Bush, Alan Teasley Elizabeth Hayes, Andre Vann, and Chrissy Moore.

Call to Order

Vicki Hertz called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. (Ann Wilder and Elsa Woods are both on vacation).

Approval of Minutes

Alan moved to approve the June 9th minutes, Angela seconded. The board unanimously approved the minutes.

Treasurer's Report

Betty introduced Chrissy Moore, contract accountant who will take on the tasks previously done by Jeff.

Betty submitted the following for July 2011:

Monthly income: \$10,838.12

Monthly expenses: \$17,557.92

Checking account balance: \$13,742.90

Savings account balance: \$80,944.54

Fiscal 2010 - 2011 year to date results:

Income \$144,307.36 Expenses \$136,622.30 Program carryover \$27,772.00

Major expenses for July 2011 were the funding of the Summer Reading Program, the Reading Incentive Program, scholarships and purchase of more tote bags.

Angela moved to approve the financial report. Alan seconded. The board unanimously approved the Treasurer's Report.

Standing Committee Reports

Book Sale: There are plenty of donations for the fall sale with some space concerns in the garage. Linda Davis, North Branch volunteer, exceeded all past weekly sales totals with two weeks of \$600 in sales. Question of who is spearheading volunteer recruitment for the fall sale. Aviva said she would contact Gerry, Martha and Elsa to confirm.

Fall Sale: Oct 14-16.

Spring Sale: March 30-April 1.

Volunteers for each of the satellite sales visited the various sites to see each other's set-up. They are working to create a unifying identity for the Satellite Sales.

Membership: Vicki presented the July report. Stasi has now sent the renewal notices on a consistent monthly basis. People seem to be responding with increased adult membership.

July 2011

Adult 184
Senior 108
Life 66
Patron 12
Sustaining 34
Youth 8

Family 131
Friend Donor 3
Foundation Donor 612
Total 1158

Scholarship: Stasi reported on Martha's behalf. Martha is now leading the committee and needs new members. Interested Board Members should contact Martha. It is a commitment of only a few months during the selection process.

Liaison Reports

Liaison to the Foundation: Ann Rebeck will attend an orientation next week for the Foundation. There was not a summer meeting.

Liaison to the Trustees: Rob reported no summer meeting.

Old Business

Vending Machines: Stasi reported that Catherine Mau is now working to get vending machines in all library branches. She is working with County legal and purchasing to work out the details. Either the new contractor will take over stocking the Friends' vending machines or else the machines will be sold.

Duke Collection Day: Ann Wilder will report on collection day at Duke at the September meeting.

New Business

Library Family Annual Report: Marketing Department creating first ever library annual report: 4 pages on Friends, 4 pages on Foundation and 8 pages on the Library. Gina working on the narrative—will include accomplishments, revenue and balance sheet. Limited printing of the annual report will be available at all branches; lots of copies sent by email. The Annual Report should be completed by end of September. Betty motioned, Elizabeth seconded for the Friends approval of its information to be included in annual report. The board unanimously approved the motion.

Friends Space at ATC: Book Nook at American Tobacco has not been as successful as expected. Library is working with American Tobacco to find a better location. Looking at space in the Crowe building across from Saledelia – has pass through to the ballpark. American Tobacco is asking for the Friends to create a retail space/newstand that includes books, Durham souvenirs, snacks, etc. The Friends would hire a part-time manager and coordinate volunteers to staff the bookstore. American Tobacco wants something in place by Christmas. American Tobacco would outfit the new space.

Friends' Board members were extremely reluctant to take over the management of a store and staff member. Alice Sharpe is talking to another organization about possibly running the store piece while the Friends Board provides the books.

Aviva motioned that the Friends would provide books for the space with a different entity managing the store and staffing piece. Ann Rebeck seconded. The board unanimously approved the motion.

Update on Funded Projects: Judy Quijano is on FMLA. The summer project was unable to happen. She is looking to do this in the fall.

The Video contest, "Love My Library", is open from September 5th to October 16th. The contest is broken into 4 categories: Kids: birth-12, Teens: 13-17, Adults and Professionals. Judging will take place on October 24th. The library would like a Friends volunteer to help with judging. Top winners will be posted on YouTube for Community Voting. A tentative Red Carpet event is scheduled at Carolina Theatre on November 10th where the top videos will be screened.

Durham Reads Together is in fall 2012. Book title suggestions should be sent to Joanne Abel or Stasi Bush.

Library News:

Stasi reported for Tammy. Summer Reading Program final celebration is this Saturday. The library recently received \$2000 grant from Target to support next summer's reading program. Board asked for reports on Summer Reading Program Statistics at next meeting.

Angela asked about Season's Reading booklet. Board members are welcome to write a book review by September 2nd.

Announcements:

Next meeting is on September 8th at South Regional Branch at 7:30 pm. Stasi will arrange a tour for interested Friends members at 7 pm.

Vicki adjourned the meeting at 8:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Aviva Starr

Next Meeting
7:30 p.m., Thursday, September 8, 2011
South Regional