Minutes of the Board Meeting Friends of the J.R. Van Pelt and Opie Library Thursday, May 1, 2014, 4:00 PM

Present: Deb Charlesworth, Don Durfee, Eloise Haller, Amy Hughes, Kelly Luck, Karen Hubbard, Dana Richter, Faith Morrison, Rasika Gawde, Susan Martin **Absent:** Dan LaForest, Mary Marchaterre, Ellen Marks, Adrienne Minerick

Chairperson Amy Hughes called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. Faith Morrison agreed to take the minutes.

1) Minutes

The minutes of the March meeting were reviewed; one minor change was made by Eloise Haller:

Under Replacement armoire for book cart: Bookshelf Keys will be distributed to Eloise and Karen, and one will be placed in the Library key lock-box (see Mary Mongeau or Joanna Wesner for that key). Kelly has the rest of the keys.

Motion to accept the minutes by Kelly, seconded by Susan. Passed.

2) Treasurer Report (Kelly Luck)

There is a known \$125 expense to reimburse the Poet Laureate Russell Thorburn for his rental car; his visit came in under budget.

The Strike Symposium went well; one persons flight was cancelled and Beth Russell asked for input on how to handle it. The board agreed that she could use her discretion.

Money was transferred from the Tech Fund to the D-Account (to reduce the balance on which Tech Account fees are paid).

Ellen Seidel had pointed out to the treasurer that there is a longstanding agreement that the Friends support the popular collection. The board agrees. Kelly proposes that the new policy be to transfer \$750 to the Library's accounts immediately after the book sale. Faith moved the adoption of the treasurer's report and Don seconded. Passed.

3) Old Business

- a) 2014 Annual Book Sale
 - a. We were short on set-up help; folks who had signed up did not come
 - b. Thank you's need to go to: Daily Mining Gazette, Tech Today thanking all volunteers especially SIS and TBP. The board asks Mary Marchaterre to do this.
 - c. There was a parking discussion; Faith proposed that we might buy three passes at \$5/pass and ask for hoods to be placed on three nearby parking meters. The board took no action.
 - d. The suggestion was made to move the sale to the SDC or to the East Reading Room. There was a lively discussion. The board took no action.
 - e. We ran out of paper bags; perhaps a donation of bags could be solicited from the grocery stores.

- **b)** Poet Laureate Russel Thorburn's visit. Faith reported that it went well. He really enjoyed his visit and so did we enjoy having him here. Faith expressed frustration at the difficulty in getting the Gazette to provide coverage in advance to help publicize the event.
- c) Strike Symposium Travel. The person whose flight was cancelled will come and do research another time.
- **d)** Archives Travel Grants. The committee met; there are 5 applicants and a budget of \$2000.

4) New Business

- a. 2014 Annual Book Sale The next Friends of the Van Pelt Library's Annual Book Sale has been scheduled for April 7-8 2015.
- **b.** Book Shelf—Eloise and Susan will restock the book shelf over the summer. Elloise will work with Randy to improve signage for the new book shelf.
- **c.** Art Committee—will meet in June; Cynthia Cote from the CCCAC helps to site the works; there are works to be sited.
- **d.** Rasika's last meeting—Rasika has graduated and is moving on to a bright future. Many thanks for your service Rasika, and please, let's stay friends!

Next Meeting is Thursday, September 11, 2014

Meeting adjourned 5:00PM

Art Committee=Ellen, Karen, Deb Book Sale Committee=Dana, Deb, Adrienne Budget Committee=Kelly, Don, Dana Audit Committee=Amy and Mary Newsletter and Website=Faith Travel Grants=Don Durfee, Susan Martin, Beth Russell