



## **Friends of the Hooksett Library**

Feb. 2, 2016, 6:30 PM

Attendance: Kevin Lane, Bob Thinnes, Tammy Hooker, Jim Sibona, Heather Rainier, Deb Miville, and Barbara Thinnes.

### **Minutes:**

Tammy Hooker moved to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2016 meeting, and Bob Thinnes seconded the motion. Approval was unanimous.

### **Financial Report:**

The current balance in the FOL account is over \$9,000.

Sue Willey will be acting as the FOL bookkeeper, and Jim Sibona will perform the duties of the Treasurer.

### **Librarian's Report:**

Heather reported on the Family Place workshop that she and Grace attended in anticipation of updating the children's area of the library. The library will become a childhood/family resource center and will work with other family services to serve the needs of Hooksett families. One goal is to transform the children's room to accommodate a Parent/Child Workshop. The library is currently working on a timeline for the room update, dependent on finances. The next step in planning is to look at the cost of a fundraising program. Heather will give the FOL an estimate for funding new toys for the new space.

### **Events:**

Easter Bunny Visit: The Easter Bunny Visit program will include craft activities. The egg hunt will be divided into 3 age groups.

The Mothers Day Tea will be held in May and Touch-a-Truck is planned for June.

### **Fundraising:**

There are no Friends LEGO kits in the FOL's price bracket. Jim Sibona will look for 2 smaller kits to be raffled off. A \$1 ticket can win either kit. Bob Thinnes moved to give Jim authorization to purchase 2 kits. Tammy Hooker seconded the motion and all in favor voted in agreement with

the motion.

**Old Business:**

Discussion on the photo printer purchase was tabled until a future meeting. Bob Thinnes suggested leasing a printer, and Heather said she would get a proposal on a lease.

**New Business:**

It was proposed that the library sponsor a First LEGO Team for students who are too old for the library-sponsored First LEGO League Junior but are not yet old enough to participate in the league at Cawley Middle School. Tammy Hooker moved to spend up to \$1600 to sponsor a FLL team for the 2016 LEGO season. Barbara Thinnes seconded the motion, and all present voted in favor.

Deb Miville reported that she currently has nothing for sale on the library's Amazon site. Kevin suggested keeping the account open. There is currently one item for sale on eBay. If there has been no interest in the item, the price should be dropped. If there is still no interest, the item should be removed. Deb will check with Heather to see if there are any other items to sell.

Tammy Hooker reported that the library trustees are requesting \$110,000 from the town to repair/replace the elevator. The Town Council will discuss the elevator repair at the meeting on Feb. 10 at 7:00PM. It is important that people are in the audience to support the library and explain why the elevator is so necessary.

The Friends meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Thinnes