

Friends of the Manchester Library
Meeting Minutes for June 26, 2013

Attending: C. Campbell, E. Cisney, G. Herbison, C. Kucius, B. Lounsbery, D. O'Connell, R. Pardo, S. Pedersen, R. Rada, Z. Sherman, G Weixler

Actions pending:

Ray: Continue effort on copyright investigation.(pending)

Carol/Ron: Touch up paint on the new West shed.

Eric: Dispose of plank near South shed.

Winslows & Weixlers: Organize the staff recognition for a staff meeting July 25 at noon.

Carol/Heidi/Zak: Update special Friend plaque in Cassidy Holtzman's memory.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Rada.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as presented.

Correspondence: E. Brem. FOL newsletter.

Treasurer's report: Treasurer's report approved as submitted.

Branch Manager's report: See separate report from Zak. May had 11 children's programs, well attended. The next Parents Night Out was tentatively scheduled for August 10. The new book store signs are up.

Bookstore report: Store in good condition.

Newsletter: Ray reported the next issue will be out for July 4, with summer programs listed, and a Lounsbery essay.

Facilities Manager report: Bulletin board taken down, and some mirrors; John patched and painted.

Gardens: The next weeding event will be July 12th at 9:30; volunteers welcomed.

Long Range Planning: Ron has sent a letter to solicit support from a local author.

MCAC: The stormwater plans were discussed.

Plant Sale: Carol will resume the "sidewalk sale", since there are a few plants at their peak now.

Salmon Bake: Ray reported a successful salmon bake, with \$1,362 in cash donations, about \$2,700 in in-kind donations, 748 meals served, 300 lb. of salmon served or sold as cooked sides. The advertising went very well, sales of t shirts have broken even, including paying for those given to the cooks. Weather was perfect. Elim Lutheran has donated more chairs. The LDS service group took down the grill on their own, a huge help when the other volunteers are worn out!

Old Business: Ray is continuing his effort on copyright for "Manchester Memories". Carol asked the board to set a price for the Kindle, which was agreed to be \$75. Ron has the Manchester publication moving forward with Arcadia Press and will be collecting historic photos. The audit is complete. The west slope has been trimmed.

New Business: Ron requested purchase of two more pallets of cottage stones for the retaining wall, which was approved. The Amy's Takeover will be 9/30, from 4 to closing. Gigi has two major items to raffle (vacation, and art work), and is working on three baskets: "Port Orchard", "Gourmet", and "Gardening", for which she needs donated items. Everyone please get the word out to come that evening and support the library. Steve Pedersen spoke about the Port's recent legal issues and expenses related to that. The Port has taken over management of the sign at Miracle Mile, and offered to negotiate a usage policy with FOML to clarify if banners could be put up for FOML or library events. The stormwater work on Colchester will have partial closure impacts; the Water District has located their lines to avoid having service disruption caused by inadvertent damage. The corner lot has been bladed and hydroseeded; the Port/Water Districts have informally agreed to mow that space just while the stormwater systems planning continues. Community input for the future of that space will wait until plans for the system are completed. Whatever is designed will have to be low maintenance. The system's design work will also be watched carefully, to make sure none of the changes to the area affect the usability of Port facilities in any way that would require the Port to repay any previously received grant money. The Port has approached the neighboring lot's owner and made an offer on it, given the feasibility of re-bonding at current interest rates. No specific plan is in place for the property. Dennis asked if FOML/Library would object to the Port removing part of the shrubbery north of the library, and possibly paving a section near the parking lot to use for outdoor programs. All agreed; Ron and Zak will be POC for discussions about that. The Sunday room renter groups have not had a rate increase in many years. They agreed they might pay as much as \$8 per meeting; deferred decision to after John can review the history folder on room rental arrangements with these groups. John, Rich, and Carol will negotiate and are authorized to make the decision with those two organizations. The Manchester celebration will be August 24; it was agreed to allow use of our tables, chairs, and canopies, as done in the past, as long as someone from FOML who understands the canopy set up will be there to supervise. Also agreed to rent tables to Kiwanis of Port Orchard for \$50, for an event of theirs; Ron will supervise.

Meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm. Next meeting: Wednesday, July 24, 2013, from 7 to 8:15 pm in the Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Campbell, Secretary

Ralph Nelson: Submit article on recognition of Cassidy to POI

All: get the word out that photos are needed for the Arcadia Press Book

Carol: work on library/FOML section of the book

Dennis: work on Port/Water District info for the book

Ron: revise agenda schedule format to clarify year