Friends of the Exeter Public Library June 12, 6:30 pm Minutes

Present: Sarah James, Kathy Boudreau, May Delaney, Danette Wineberg, Hope Godino, Barbara Young

- 1. Critical Issue: WE NEED A TREASURER! To meet State of NH requirements we need a treasurer by the end of July. Considering that our account has only \$39 in it this is not a difficult job. Please respond if you are willing to serve in this role or know of anyone who can.
- 2. Publicity Tea: Our tea was well received, with a number of people stopping by for info and treats. We signed up new people on our email list and on a separate list for the Harry Potter Picnic more on that below. Thanks again to all the wonderful volunteers and bakers!

3. Summer activities:

6/18: TEAM "Last Day of School" kids event on the library lawn. When? After school of course! Stop by for some fun. No volunteers needed.

6/27: 11-2 pm: Come one come all for the Library's annual Harry Potter Picnic! Come for fun or to volunteer as wizards and witches of all ages play games and share a bag lunch. Bring your own lunch and a sweet treat to share. The library will provide drinks. All volunteers welcome, costumes optional . . .

Late August: We are trying to gauge interest in the Friends putting on a "Last Day of Summer" event for kids just before school starts up again. This would be a (hopefully) outdoor fun event sometime during the week of 8/20-8/24. The library would help by providing a face painter and other help. Would you be interested in running a game booth or staffing a snack table? Setting up and breaking down? Reply to this email about your interests and availability and we'll see if we can make it work.

Farmers' Markets: May will talk with the Farmers Market staff to see if we can have space there in September.

4. Fund raising: The library is working on a new scaled-back renovation plan and will present it to the Planning Board on 6/22. They cannot raise money for this until after it is accepted by the town via a warrant. However, they can always take donations to their General Building Fund. The Friends group can raise funds any time for anything. May will work on writing a press release for the local newspaper to try to drum up some interested fund raisers. Reply to this if you are interested.

- 5. Amazon Smile: Still in progress . . . This is because of the way Amazon outsources the program, not to do with anything we have or haven't done. We are told it can take 6 to 12 months.
- 6. Next meeting: We will not meet in July. Whether we meet in August will depend on whether our next Friends activity starts up in August or September. Stay tuned and we will definitely meet on Tuesday, September 11th at 6:30 pm.