

Friends of the Exeter Public Library
Minutes

Tuesday, February 13, 6:30 pm

Present: Sarah James, Maryanna Purello, Craig Boudreau, Kathy Boudreau, Paula Sears, Pam Darlington, Danette Wineberg

1. Checking Account: The checking account has been established through Citizen's Bank. Kathy will work on getting us set up as a recipient of donations from AmazonSmile. Once that is set up we will let everyone know. If you designate the Friends group as your AmazonSmile recipient they will donate money to us every time you make an Amazon purchase - at no cost to you!
2. Mailbox: Pam will set up a Friends of the EPL mailbox in the library's staff work room. This will make it easier for us to receive and send communications.
3. Publicity: Somehow our publicity notice got taken down from the library bulletin boards. Pam will work on getting it put back up.
4. **Volunteers needed for the March 10th Farmers Market at Exeter High !!!** Kathy will organize the table and could really use some help staffing it. Drop by any time between 10 and 2 that day to help out. Maybe before or after you do your **shopping?**
5. Tax form: Kathy will fill out our 2017 tax form. Since we didn't make any money this should be pretty easy. **We still need a treasurer - do you know anyone?**
6. Upcoming Exeter Election: Be sure to vote on March 13th! The proposal to fund the library renovation/expansion needs every possible vote. Please also talk to your friends, stop by the library to pick up a supporters button and wear it around town and/or write a letter to the Exeter Newsletter in support of the library. If you need ideas about what to put in your letter to the editor contact Hope Godino at deweyexeter@comcast.net .
7. Pam reminded us that the librarians always appreciate suggestions about which books to buy for our permanent collection. They don't buy every requested book, of course, but they take every suggestion seriously.
8. Publicity Tea: We set a VERY tentative date for Tuesday, April 17. Pam will check with Hope and Denise about scheduling and placement logistics. The idea is to have an area set aside in the library with information on the Friends group, some actual Friends and also possibly some Trustees to answer questions and some refreshments to draw people in. By having this on a Tuesday we hope to draw in families bringing their children to both the morning and afternoon story hours.
9. Facebook: We still need a volunteer to operate our Facebook page. Kathy will talk with Julia about whether she knows of a teen volunteer who could help with this.

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 13th (AFTER YOU VOTE!), 6:30, the library

Sarah James