

## FRIENDS OF THE MEAFORD LIBRARY EXECUTIVE MEETING

### Discussion Points (as there was no quorum)

August 5, 2021 4 p.m.

#### Meaford Public Library Multi-Purpose Room

Present: Leslie Ransom (Pres), Jane Leckenby, Francis Richardson (VP), Susanne Wussow (Sect).

Regrets: Jim Brown (Tres), Mary Louise Craven, Paul Wehrle, Robert Richardson, Chris Richardson

Guests: Amy Solecki, Alexander Taylor

Agenda Item	Discussion	Resolution	Action to be completed
Call to order	4 p.m.		
1. Adoption of agenda and additions		Approved	
2. Minutes of the March 11, 2021 meeting	There was no quorum, so the minutes were not approved.		
3. Treasurer's Report	There was no quorum, so the Treasurer's Report was not approved.		
4. Report from the Library	Amy introduced Alexander Taylor, who will be filling in during her maternity leave. It was reported that the Community Walking Challenge , Walking the Pacific Crest Trail, 4,270 km, runs until Aug. 31, and the Views of Meaford photo contest are very popular. Three authors have been booked: Caroline j Morris on August 27, and Jennifer McGuire on September 2. Brad Wilcox will be coming (hopefully in person) at the end of October, with his book 'Too Far Back in the Bush'. Harry Potter Day is Sept. 25.		
5. Standing Items			
5.1 Membership	Jane reported there are 32 members, with 3 associate members and 3 new.		
5.2 Promotion & Publicity	Neither Paul nor Mary Louise was present.		
5.3 Concerts	Paul passed on that there will not be any concerts this summer.		
5.4 Net Shed	Chris was not present.		

<p>6. Business arising</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Leslie reported that the Special Merit Award from the Chamber of Commerce was not handed out yet since the meeting was cancelled due to Covid. No further date has been scheduled yet.</li> <li>ii) Re: the anonymous donation – Amy reported that she has not yet been able to identify the donor to determine how to allocate the funds.</li> <li>iii) Harry Potter Day has the go-ahead. It will be on Sept. 25. The magician is booked, with a contribution from the BIA of \$2,000. The evening before, on Fri. Sept. 24, David Chapman, a photographer, will be at Meaford Hall, with a presentation “Magic of the Night Sky”. Amy has reached out to the Meaford Cultural Foundation to help pay for Meaford Hall, and the Rotary to help sponsor Harry Potter Trivia.</li> <li>iv) Fundraiser: A signed copy of <i>Testaments</i> by Margaret Atwood has been donated, for an online auction. Jane suggested Sydenham Auctions may participate at a reduced rate.</li> <li>v) The unofficial grand opening day of the new Library is Oct. 16.</li> </ul>		
<p>7. New Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Complaint: Leslie will send a response, and will speak with Chris and Rosemary to ensure that</li> </ul>		

	<p>two people are at the Net Shed at all times. Francis will talk to Barb Clumpus as to whether the complainant contacted her.</p> <p>ii) Chris will organize a local author reading at the Net Shed.</p> <p>iii) A discussion was held regarding the sharing of information with volunteers and the public, regarding the money made per month. The information could be sent as an email to the volunteers, or posted on the Net Shed site.</p> <p>iv) Francis raised a concern about the railing on the Net Shed steps.</p> <p>v) AGM update: The AGM will be held Thursday, Sept. 16, along with the regular meeting.</p> <p>vi) Clarification of the use of the pin pad: to be used for both donations as well as buying books.</p>		<p>To be decided at the next meeting.</p> <p>This will be a priority at the next meeting.</p>
Adjournment	Adjourned at 5:50 p.m.		
Next Meeting	Thursday, Sept. 16, 2021 at 4 p.m. in the Friends Room at MPL.		

Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_ President: \_\_\_\_\_