

Friends of the Davis Public Library
Minutes of the October 13th Meeting

In attendance: President; Angel Nicoletti, Vice President; Dave Fernald, Secretary; Carol Knutson, Library Director, Lauren Rettig, Sally Ripley, Dick Member at Large, Frankie Scofield; Trustee Liason, and Paul Krampfert.

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:02 pm. The meeting was held in the Town Hall due to renovations at the Library.
2. Librarian's Report: Lauren reported that the numbers were down a little, very likely as the library has been closed due to the construction! Also, winter hours have begun therefore there are no longer hours on Fridays. There were 210 patrons, 99 items were checked out, 46 computer uses and 4 new card holders (users). Lauren reported that she needs help on Wednesday or Thursday to clear out the storage unit (which is scheduled to be picked up on Friday). A new table and chairs are arriving on Wednesday. Several members volunteered to help on Thursday morning, (Paul, Dave, Sally, and Angel), and will meet at 9:30. The closet needs to be painted and Geri Bailey is believed to be able and willing!
In further discussion regarding the construction and related needs, Angel suggested that the Friends pay for the bathroom signage. Paul is willing to see if the appropriate signs are available through Amazon as he is a member of Amazon Prime and therefore has free shipping. In order to comply with USDA Grant, numbers are needed on the building to indicate # 1391 (Route 123N). Lauren will talk to the Trustees about paying for the numbers on the building. Don Healy will provide signs for the exterior to indicate handicapped parking. Paul K. offered the use of heaters to Lauren until the time the new heating system is fully functional.
3. September Minutes: The minutes from the September meeting were accepted as presented and have been posted to the Town website.
4. Treasurer's Report: In Lexie's absence, Angel reviewed the Treasurer's Report which was accepted as presented. Angel suggested that the donations that have come in since the mailing of the newsletter may have been meant for the Capital Campaign, though they were not designated as such. The Kingsbury Foundation may be making the award decisions by October 14th. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation grant recipients will be notified at a later date.
5. Membership is currently 68 – up from 21 at September's meeting.
6. Addition Update: Discussed during the Librarian's Report. There is a meeting with the Construction Manager tomorrow and more specific dates for completion should be known following that.
7. Storage Pod: Addressed during the Librarian's Report
8. Capital Campaign: A bit slow going, the donations coming in are smaller than anticipated. The sign indicating the status of funds received thus far, needs to be updated (painted), to show the correct donations actually received. There was some discussion regarding the additional potential donors that will be contacted.
9. Library Open House: A date for the Open House was discussed, pending the completion of the construction. This will be planned with the Trustees and a mid-November date is expected.
10. Book Pal Program: Angel reported that the teacher in the 3-4 classroom, Jackie Cornwall, and the 4-5 Grade classroom teacher, Amanda Bridges, are excited about the Book Pal Program. The Program is expected to take place in February and March and as many as 39 pals/readers are needed!
11. Amazon Smile: Program Details and FAQ: Amazon Smile is a program that Amazon users can sign up for when they shop online. It allows users to designate a charity which will ultimately receive a percentage of the order as a donation.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting is November 10th

Respectfully submitted, Carol Knutson