

**7/16/18**

**Friends of the Arlington Library**

**Board Meeting Minutes**

Present: Kate Summers, Judith Kindell, Kate Schweigart, Rob Hizon, Claire Christian, Laura Porter, Judy Hijakata, Martin Pippin, Kelly Fado, Joni and Marx Sterne. Peter Petruski and Julia Berg – Library Representatives.

**I. Call to order: 7:13pm**

**II. Two new Board Members were approved**

Judy Hijikata was approved as the Shirlington Rep.

Rob Hizon was approved as the Central Rep.

Kate Summers moved, Kelly Fado seconded, and votes were unanimous.

**III. Approval of Minutes**

Minutes were approved for April, May, and June.

**IV. Book Sale**

Per the Fire Marshall, no change to the footprint of the book sale. We may need to change the way we store books between sales, and we need to update our book sale manual ensuring that emergency info is in the manual and that the Board all knows the Library's procedures.

The board agreed to add more hours to Neil's schedule if he's willing, and to explore finding an event planner who could help us run the Book Sale.

**V. Library Update**

17% of collections budget cut this year and Library just announced first major cuts: They will be ending the subscriptions to Hoopla streaming service, and Standard & Poor's Net Advantage.

There were 14,000 responses to the Library's survey.

Board is going to work on messaging for our stakeholders. One thing we'd like to do is put up a notification/plaque in the new Maker space that indicates that FOAL paid for the equipment in that space.

**VI. Open Discussion**

Kate Schweigart reiterated her desire to have the Arlington Community Foundation come and talk to us about their work. We'll aim to get them in after the book sale.

**VII. Board Decisions at July Meeting**

- Added two new Board Members – Judy Hijikata and Rob Hizon.
- Agreed to ask if Neil would work more hours in support of October's book sale
- Agreed to explore options for an event planner for the Book Sale.
- Agreed to install a notice/plaque in the new Maker space indicating that FOAL provided the equipment.

**Meeting adjourned: 8:30pm**