

FRIENDS OF THE POINT ROBERTS LIBRARY

BOARD MEETING

MAY 9, 2014

Meeting called to order at 3pm.

**Present:** Judy Ross, Stephen Falk, Barb Wayland, Ed Park, Margot Griffiths, Judith Wolfman

**Report from the Treasurer:** Ed reported that he has opened a savings account at Washington Educational Credit Union, which will earn .5% interest.

Motion: Stephen Falk moved to authorize this new account. Seconded by Judy Ross. All in favor. Motion passed.

Ed estimates that around May 15, 2014, FOPRL will be re-instated by the IRS with 501(c)3 status.

**Design Committee:**

Judith Wolfman will be the chairperson of the Design Committee for the new library. At the AGM, 11 people volunteered to be members of the committee. It is the mandate of the Board of Directors to consult with Judith as to the composition of the committee.

Discussion: Judith stated that the committee will be a working committee with a narrow and time-limited scope related solely to the external design of the new library. She indicated that committee members needed to meet certain criteria. First of these is that members need to donate to the library building fund. Judith stated that this has precedence in most fund raising ventures.

Barb spoke to the need for committee members to a member of FOPRL.

Motion: Judy moved that it be a general rule that anyone involved in committee work of any nature be a member of FOPRL. Seconded by Stephen. All in favor. Motion passed.

Further discussion of composition of the Design Committee: Mark Robbins has expressed through email, his desire to have members of the Parks and Recreation District, in order to ensure their support in the final external design, as the building and the land belong to the Parks District.

After discussion it was agreed that the committee needs to function independently in order to achieve the best design so it was decided that representation from the Parks and Recreation District and the Whatcom County Library System on the Design Committee would not be required. Judith offered to liaise with the Parks and Recreation District, to keep them up-dated and informed of the progress of the committee. The Board also discussed making the work of the group transparent, by posting minutes on

the Friends website, and asking for public input. Suggestions for this included posting on Point Roberts interface, and a possible article in the All Point Bulletin.

It was agreed that the optimum number of members would be seven. A list was made of possible candidates for membership. Judith was charged with contacting candidates to discuss with them the work of the group, explore their availability and make the final decision on membership.

Judith stated that by May 15, 2014, she will email the Design Committee roster to the Board.

**Architect:**

Motion: Judy moved that she attend the next Parks and Recreation District meeting on May 12, 2014, to ask them to hire an architect. David King, who has done the preliminary design, is the Board's choice of architect, and it is hoped that he will be hired by the Parks board. Seconded by Ed. All in favor. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4.40pm.

Submitted by:

Margot Griffiths Secretary, FOPRL