Powell River Friends of the Library Board Minutes – April 18, 2018

Present:

- KC Bell
- Rebecca Burbank
- Sue Cooper
- Megan Dulcie-Dill
- Jeff Pollitt
- Ann Trousdell

1. Opening business

- 1. Welcome & introductions (Brownie and Maureen Tierney, guests)
- 2. Review agenda
- 3. Review tasks & commitments

2. Consent agenda

- **2.1** Draft minutes of the board meeting of March 5, 2018 (PASSED)
- 2.2 Membership at April 2018

Annual members:	201
Annual members in good standing:	62
Annual members NOT in good standing:	138
Lifetime:	19

3. Recurring business

3.1 Library/Library Board of Trustees Report (Rebecca)

Big month in March, especially for kids/youth. Attendance up by 86%. Teen services ran five-day comics camp. Circulation still up, but are seeing here and elsewhere is that DVDs aren't circulating as before the old library despite prime location. Streaming not really an option; services available are either affordable but the content not great, or the content is good but the service is unaffordable. Will continue to acquire DVDs until some suitable option can be identified.

Following up on the Friends funding commitment: Rebecca provided a list of possible options for naming. Gary wrote letter of support for community forest funding grant. Two options proposed: day care kit and tech boxes. Rebecca will forward costs for each of these two options. Discussion ensued re applying donations to "naming opportunities" (e.g., capital costs) and the purchase of "new things" to supply the Library. Further discussion to come.

3.1 Book cart/sales (Brownie)

Book sale revenues are about \$250/month, which is a decline from earlier levels (\$400/500 month at old library).

4. Events and event planning

4.1 May 5 Book Sale (Ann)

Pricing to be determined. Not as many books as for the last sale. Kathy Maitland (Kiwanis) has agreed to take anything leftover from the May 5 book sale. Need to discuss what is the purpose of the book sales, and how best to achieve it. Are book sales the best means? Should we sell only Library discards so as not to compete to local bookstores? Rebecca says non-fiction discards don't sell well. Most of the books in storage will be gone after the May 5 sale, either sold or transferred to Kiwanis, so there will be some time to explore options. Perhaps donations should be received on a more selective basis. Ann will send a thank you to movers for taking away the remainders for free. Megan will thank them on facebook.

4.2 Art Chair Auction (Maureen)

GoGos will pay for everything up front and recover funds later (e.g., for primer, Verathane, etc.). Limited advertising expected. Can run off posters at Library (Rebecca) rather than pay to have them printed. Chairs will be sold via silent auction to take place during Studio Tour, with chairs on display in the Library for ten days prior to August 26th (final day of Studio Tour). Winning bidders to be declared on Sunday the 26th. Volunteers will be on hand to explain, give bidding number, etc. May need help on the Sunday to manage notifying winners and taking payment for chairs.

5. Business arising from the previous minutes

5.1 Planning for the Future (Jeff)

AGM date and location: Location TBD; Date: Wednesday, June 20th. Another meeting is needed in advance of the AGM to discuss the FotL's "future" objectives and means of fundraising; special Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 23rd at 10am (90 minutes).

5.2 Societies Act revisions update (KC)

Not given.

6. New business

6.1 Book storage space in mall

Rebecca: Ann asked about tax receipts for storage; can issue for Library, but not for Friends. That said, the change in charged value presented by the Landlords' agent would be illegal as a falsified value for the tax receipt.

6.2 Date of the AGM

AGM tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, June 20th pending confirmation of available location.

7. Date and place of next regularly scheduled meeting: May 16, 2018; Special Board meeting to be held at Patricia Wilkinson's at 10am on April 23rd.