

# **Friends of the Antigonish Library Meeting Minutes**

**March 29, 2006**

Attendance: Bruce MacLean, Eric Stackhouse, Peggy Hiscock, Walter Proctor, Sean Cameron, Anne Beck, Tila Kellman, Mary MacLellan, Denise Samson, Pauline Liengme, Conrad Poirier, Melanie Pauls.

Regrets: Margaret Duncan, Martin MacDonald, Bernard Liengme, Sue Adams, Brenda McKenna, Pam MacLean, Tim Bellemore, Tiiu Podder.

## **Call to order**

The March 29<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Friends of the Antigonish Library was called to order at 7:02pm.

## **Approval of the Agenda**

Eric Stackhouse asked to add Focus Group Meeting as agenda item 6b.

**Motion: To approve the agenda with the addition moved by Walter Proctor seconded by Denise Samson. Motion passed**

## **Approval of the February 25<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes**

The minutes were approved as presented.

## **Reports**

*Building Committee report:* Town and County Councils have given approval for the latest Library building proposal to purchase the former Lawtons building. The architect and engineer have given the go ahead to build on what is currently there. A number of government agencies will be approached for funding for the new Library. There currently is no known timeline, but when the process starts, things will progress quickly. Tila Kellman, from GAPAC, attended this meeting and asked if there would be space for local artists to showcase their work. If there was space for this, the air quality and humidity had to be at certain levels. Eric mentioned that the local art could be shown in the program room, but GAPAC has to be aware that the library will be used by the public.

*Treasurer report:* Melanie read the report submitted by Treasurer Brenda McKenna. The report states that the current bank balance as of March 13<sup>th</sup> is \$310.00.

*New Membership Committee:* Pauline Liengme reported for the New Membership Committee. The committee would like to host a trivia tournament to raise funds and awareness of Friends.

**Motion Pauline Liengme to submit a proposal for the trivia tournament on behalf of the New Membership Committee. Moved by Pauline Liengme seconded by Eric Stackhouse.**

**Unfinished Business**

*Listserv:* Eric will be changing the settings to ensure that when someone replies to an email sent out to the entire group, the reply is sent only to the sender.

**New Business**

*Fundraising Committee:* It was suggested that the Friends operate a coffee shop/boutique at the new library. The layout of the library can include the space, once the plans for the new library are available, this can be discussed further.

*Focus group meeting:* Provincial Librarian Jennifer Evans will be hosting a focus group to find out what direction the public library should be heading. She will be hosting this discussion in each region and will be in Westville on April 12, 2006. Travel for the FoAL members can be arranged between Melanie and Lorraine. There will be a more formal announcement made soon.

*Good of the order:* There is a question regarding FoAL membership and what is a quorum for the Friends of the Antigonish Library. Dr. Horrocks is an expert at organizing committees, and may be able to help our group.

**Motion: To form sub committee that will compose operational criteria for members and arrange a meeting with Dr. Horrocks. The subcommittee will consist of Anne Beck and Pauline Liengme with help from Peggy Hiscock. Moved by Denise, seconded by Peggy. Motion passed**

**Motion: Unless you are a member in good standing, you cannot vote. Moved by Pauline, seconded by Anne. Motion passed**

Next meeting: April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2006

Adjournment: Moved by Denise.

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Signed

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