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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

**Bethel Public Library Board of Directors Development Committee
Wednesday, March 17, 2010, 2:00 P.M.**

Present: Chair Trisha Lewis, Kim Adams, Jim Forman, Richard Merritt,
Lynn Rosato, Library Director and Jane Bickford, Library Board Chair

Absent: Terri Rotella

Volunteers: Debbie Smith, Volunteer Coordinator and new library volunteer, Hoskins Smith

Call to Order: Trisha Lewis called the meeting to order at 2:09 P.M.

Public Input: Lynn Rosato introduced a new volunteer, Hoskins Smith, to the Committee.

Approval of Minutes: Reflecting two changes to the Minutes: The omission of Debbie Smith being listed as a volunteer in attendance at the 3-3-2010 meeting and the correction of the Mystery Theatre Dinner to be held on Saturday, October 23, 2010, a motion was made by Jim Forman to accept the minutes as amended and seconded by Kim Adams. Motion passed.

Committee Member Reports of 2010 Fund Raisers

Richard Merritt reported on his meeting with Pat Rist, Chairman of the Bethel Historical Society. The Historical Society is organizing a parade and dedication of the Barnum Statue at the Library the weekend of September 25th and is interested in working with the Library on a joint program book for weekend activities. It was suggested the Library and the Historical Society share the cost of printing.

Jane Bickford attended the Historical Society meeting on Tuesday, March 16th and reported there is a Facebook/PTBarnum sight to view online and the LBOD is invited to view the finished clay version of the Barnum Statue, at the sculptor's studio, on March 27th.

Wine Tasting:

Lynn Rosato mentioned she will be attending the next Friends of the Library meeting and will ask the Friends to sponsor the cost of the event in the amount of \$1725.

Pansy Sale:

Debbie Smith spoke about the Library's 3rd annual Pansy Sale during "Bethel Blooms" on Saturday, April 24 from 10 A.M.- 3 P.M.. Along with quantity and variety, asking Hollandia for a discount or possible sponsorship was discussed.

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A motion was made by Mr. Merritt to acquire the same quantity as last year of 100 pansy types, not to exceed \$900, seconded by Mr. Forman. The motion passed.

Mystery Theatre:

Trisha Lewis contacted the Stony Hill Inn and confirmed the availability of October 23rd for the Mystery Dinner Theater.

Jim Forman spoke to Marty Bishop about helping with the event. Ms. Bishop was involved with the two previous dinner theaters and assists with the Library's annual "Tellebration" story telling program.

Mr. Forman made a motion to go ahead and hold the Mystery Dinner Theater at the Stony Hill Inn on October 23, 2010, seconded by Mr. Merritt. The motion passed.

CT Film Festival:

Lynn Rosato volunteered to create a WORD table of incentives for sponsorships.

Ms. Bickford volunteered to create cover letters for the different types of establishments/businesses, i.e. bakery, veterinarian, for each sponsorship category. Category levels of \$500 and \$250 were added.

It was suggested that a "Save the Date" card be sent out on April 5th, the day after Easter.

Other Fund Raising Activities:

Kim Adams designed a sponsorship form for the flower and wreath sales. After discussion, Ms. Adams made a motion to accept the "Botanical Bundle" sponsorship form, seconded by Mr. Merritt. The motion passed.

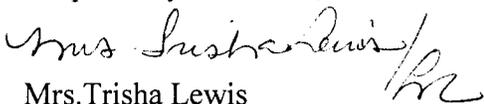
Ms. Rosato will ask the Friends about a table being set-up at their Annual Book Sale. As last year, the Development Committee would like to have a table to display and sell the miniature oil lamps, Christmas ornaments, etc.

Debbie Smith suggested having a "Sock Hop" in conjunction with the Sycamore Drive-in Celebration of Elvis's 75th Birthday. Ms. Smith will contact the Sycamore and report back to the Committee.

Next Meeting Date: April 7, 2010

Adjournment: The motion to adjourn at 4:16 P.M. was made by Richard Merritt and seconded by Jim Forman. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,


Mrs. Trisha Lewis
Committee Chair