Literacy Volunteers of Sullivan County, Inc Board Minutes August 4, 2010

- I. Members Attendance: Officers Present: Mary May Schmidt, Members Present: June Barrett, Gary Couch, Patricia Flynn, Helen Rados, Karen Stewart, Barbara Sush, Cathy Schirick, Christine Wylie. Executive Director: Constance A. Keller.
- **II.** Acceptance of Minutes from March: Moved: Barbara Sush Seconded: Pat Flynn. Carried.

III. Reports:

- a. President's Report: Chair: Mary May Schmidt: We wish the best to you!
- **b. Treasurer's Report:** Kenneth Wilson absent, please see report. Recommend to transfer \$6,400 from Books Store. Motion to accept: June Barrett Second: Patricia Flynn. Carried.
- **c. Bookstore Manager's Report**: See report. Gross Sales \$4,692.13 Net/deposits: \$4,666.33.for July.
- **d.** Foundations/Philanthropic Report: None. Gannett News has a foundation and there's a possibility that we can receive some monies in future.
- e. Student Tutor Dinner: Debriefing meeting needs to take place.
- f. Book store publicity: None
- g. Smaller Fundraising Committee Reports:
 - 1. Farmer's Market: Christine Wylie. Connie will give Christine totals so she can include them in her report. Discussed upcoming dates: Sundays: Callicoon 11-2. Fridays: Liberty 3-6. For both we have to reserve dates and canopies if we can't bring our own. Thursdays: Jeffersonville 2-6. We do not need to reserve a spot for this site and we must bring our own table/canopy. Sunday, September 5th is the Bethel Woods Event. We usually attend every year. Patricia Flynn has a basket she puts together that needs to be brought there. Canopies and tables are provided. Members attending thus far: Pat Flynn, June Barrett, Helen Rados, Ken Wilson, and Gary Couch.
 - 2. Book and Bake Sale: We made 332.25
 - **3.** Letter Fundraising: We will begin in October for December.
 - **4. Bank Tag Committee**: Provident and Catskill in South Fallsburg want to sell for another month. Mary May will pick up unused tags. We've received \$331 from Jeff Bank.
 - **5. Personnel Committee Report:** None
 - **6. Tutor Student Recruitment Trainers/Speakers Bureau**: Gary Couch and Cathy Schirick: Scheduled training for September 13-16th. Has been advertised everywhere. Flyers are going out in Bethel for our new site. Speakers Bureau: no report.
 - 7. Board nominating Committee Report: None
 - **8. Bethel Site Committee:** June Barrett, TBA.
 - **9. Renaissance Beautification Project:** Barbara Sush: Project is completed. Flower judges will be coming tomorrow (Thursday 8/5) or Friday 8/6.

Project Judges will be coming to our site on Sat. 8/7 between 3:35-4:35 Awards will take place on Monday 8/9 at 6:45 at the Monticello HS. If we win the subcommittee is rethinking how to best utilize monies, i.e. awnings for our Book Store or a sign/landscaping at our Bethel site. Decided on a sign for Bethel. We might also receive \$250 completion grant. John from Pathstone really did a lot of work in getting the project off the ground and going, i.e. watering plants, trimming, etc. He thanked us all for having him. Motion was made to give him a Master Card Gift Card for \$100. Motion: Pat Flynn and Seconded by Cathy Schirick. Unanimous.

10. Email from Debbie Speers resigning for personal reasons. She will be missed.

New Business:

Director's Report: Connie:

- Received \$5,000 grant from Walmart. Bethel/Duggan Site: Connie and volunteers have been working hard, bringing books out to site, placing them on shelves. We will have Pathstone employee 3 days per week. She's received training and other volunteers will be receiving training on Wednesdays 11-5:30 and Fridays and Saturdays 11-5:30. Our site will be opening a week from today, Wed. 8/11/2010 @ 11-5:30.
- Town Supervisor Danny Sturm will be meeting with Board on Wednesday 8/25 at 7:30 pm and would like us to attend. We'll have our own Grand Opening TBA.
- We received a new contract from NYS- \$17,000- a huge cut from \$25,000. GED and Peer Worx Programs will ease this drastic cut to some extent.
- Wurtsboro interested in being site for tutoring in the library. Connie will be meeting with them. We have a few tutors there already.
- Diane Levine wants to do a book signing: poetry, children's books. Dicussion. Motion not to participate in book signing at this time. Barbara Sush and Seconded by Patricia Flynn. Carried.
- Do we want a table at Dispute Resolution Center Fundraiser October 2nd, 9am-12:00 noon? We would need a table of 4 set up which would go up for auction. If anyone is interested, let Connie know. We would have to buy all materials for table. We would also have to buy tickets.
- Eldred: 2 tutors came and want to tutor in Eldred. One is a minister. They are getting their own information out to the community. Connie working on it.

IV. Motion to adjourn: Helen Rados Seconded: June Barrett. Carried 7:29