**Board of the Friends of Brandywine Hundred Library**

**Minutes of the Meeting held Tuesday, November 9, 2016**

**Members Present**: Kay Bowes, Mary Bowler, Agnes Galvin, Martha Gessler, Claire Kantar, Lindsay Orr, Elle Van Dahlgren

**Members Absent**: Paula Evans, Richard James

Also Present: Jean Kaufman Library Manager

**Welcome and Announcements**

Kay Bowes. president, welcomed everyone to her home as the library was closed for Election Day. She also provided delicious refreshments to mark the occasion.

Members had not received the minutes of the October meeting because of computer failure. The minutes were sent out the next day.

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Library Manager’s Report

Library patrons have enjoyed a successful *Pumpkin Chunkin’* event.

Delaware libraries have agreed to share software,

Our library engages in cross-support with the Rockwood Museum when appropriate.

The Annual Friends’ Staff Appreciation Luncheon is on Thursday, November 10, at 12 noon. **Mary Bowler moved that she is authorized to spend up to $350.00 to buy the food and supplies for the luncheon.** She will also set up and decorate the program room in the library for the event. Board members who can are asked to contribute a dessert and provide help if available. Agnes Galvin and Kay Bowes agreed to help.

Ms. Bowes announced that the Friends’ Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday December 13. All members of the Friends’ are invited to attend. New Board members will be elected and officers nominated.

A discussion of term limits for board members followed, as detailed in the Constitution and Bylaws.

Ms. Bowes will continue as president for a further term. Ms. Van Dahlgren will run for vice-president. Martha Gessler will resign from the board but will continue to work on the program she has arranged for next spring. Richard James is also resigning because of work commitments but will continue to update our website.

Ms. Bowes will attend the Friends of Delaware Libraries in Dover and will meet with DE representatives. As funding for libraries may be cut because of a budget shortfall, it is important to impress our representatives with the importance of libraries to our communities.

The next meeting with be the Annual General Meeting on December 13th at 7PM in the library. Ms. Bowes will review our accomplishments for the year and give a preview of what’s happening in 2017including a newsletter on-line. She suggested bringing goodies to the meeting for a brief holiday celebration.

Ms. Van Dahlgren moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Agnes M. Galvin