

1/09/23 - January Meeting Recap - 5 members present

We discussed the "State of the Friends". There are 39 members as of 12/31/22. We have raised \$1727 for the library since we formed in August and introduced ourselves to the community at Dover Days in September.



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1	DATE	EVENT	TOTAL COST	EXPENSE	FEES RECD	DONATIONS	\$ RAISED
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3		2022 membership			340	560	900
4	9/2023	Dover Days					227
5	10/22	raffle basket					36
6	11/22	raffle basket					42
7	11/22	Canvas event					300
8	11/22	baked treats					110
9	12/22	raffle basket					112
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15	Total						1727
16							

We continued our discussion of officers so that we may continue to pursue our non profit status. Caroline nominated Chris Bergin as president/secy, Kathryn McPhilomy as vice-president and Jill Fieldstein as treasurer. These nominations were seconded by Tammy. The final vote on these nominations will be held at our next meeting.

Jill has started the certificate of incorporation so that the Friends group can become a nonprofit charitable organization. This is the first step towards getting our 501(c)(3) status and NYS tax exemption. It is important to incorporate to limit our liability too. Jill has donated her time and has offered to pay for the cost of incorporation. We appreciate all that she has done to make this happen. The links to the bylaws and certificate of incorporation are linked at the bottom.

As soon as the incorporation is processed, we will be applying for our EIN#, which is free by filling out an SS-4 form on the IRS website. After that we will be filing form 1023-EZ to apply for 501(c)(3) and then apply for NYS tax exemption with form ST-19.2 .

We talked about future fundraisers as listed below:

Indoor tag sale- sell tables and set up a few of our own, especially one to attract new members. Sell tables to vendors and anyone that wants to join our tag sale.

Trivia night- I've reached out to HV Trivia that runs a service that does them. Can have it in the hall, maybe at a local restaurant with a party room(?). Maybe an idea for March?

Next meeting- February 13th at 6:30 pm in the community room of the Library

Thanks everyone!

Christina Bergin
Trustee liaison for the Dover Plains Library