**Friends of Pratt Memorial Library** Minutes of January 5, 2016

In attendance: Diane Evans, Karen Duncan, Jeanne Cole, Gail Steele, Mary Van Steenbergh, Debbie Person, Marcia Cleland, Sharon Shay, Leslie Jones Hart.

Mary motioned and Debbie seconded the December 1, 2015 meeting minutes be approved. The motion passed. The treasury balance is $5,652.15. A Projector/DVD was purchased for the library.

**Old Business:**

*Programs* – The Polar Express was shown on Dec. 15 with approximately 25 people in attendance.

*Shed –* All books have been cleared from the shed and it is now empty. Therefore no lock is needed.

**New Business:** It was decided to have a spring book sale on Friday and Saturday, March 18 and 19, 2016. Leslie will work on getting fliers ready to be distributed and press release to be sent out. The books will be $3/paperbacks and $5/hardbacks. A bake sale will also be held on Saturday. Hours will be 11 – 4 on Friday and 11 – 2 on Saturday. Marcia gave permission to use the big room and it was decided to set out books on the tables (even though many of the books are duplicates) for exposure. Mary will check with Glenice to see about the P.O. sign and the Chamber of Commerce sign.

**Library News:**

*Ancestry.com –* We are still waiting forScott to get the bill to Marcia so we can pay it. Sharon will check with her husband to set a date for another Ancestory class.

*Computers –* Most computers are now working, thanks to DaShon. There is still one computer that doesn’t work. A new desk-top computer will cost $1,190 if ordered through AHJ. Mary motioned and Debbie seconded we order a new computer for the library. The motion passed.

*501c3 –* Because there has been so little progress on the part of AHJ in getting a tax number, Diane offered to check into the matter and see if we could make better progress. (She has since checked into this and found the task quite daunting. She believes that the process should be left for AHJ.)

**Other:**

Someone has been in the outdoor book shed. It was decided to purchase a lock for the shed to eliminate future problems.

Tom Van Steenbergh will be the featured artist this month at the Beaufort Art Association. The Gallery Open House on Bay Street will be on Friday, January 8, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Jones Hart

Secretary Next regular meeting – Tuesday, Feb. 2, 2016