

2012 Friends Meeting Minutes

February 14, 2012

Attendees:

Paula Highfill, President	Carlton Cloud
Carol Ann Grantham-Vice President	Sharman Miller
Diane Kelly, Treasurer	Robert Lee
Jenny Elliott, 2 nd Vice President	Steve Standefer
Stacey Guttmann-Secretary	Annette Weber
Joyce Sternberg	Sharon Zambrzycki

Approval of Minutes:

The meeting was called to order at 5:05pm by Paula. Sharman moved to amend November minutes to reflect that we did not purchase membership in TANO and Joyce seconded the motion. November minutes were approved as corrected. Diane moved to amend the January minutes to reflect the following: the Reads! banner will not be hung this year, Vern Raven provided photos for the Reads display, we buy Reads! books at a 20% discount so we will make 20% if we sell them at retail (\$8.00). Carol Ann seconded the motion. January minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report:

Diane presented the report for January. A motion was made by Carlton and seconded by Sharon to approve the reports and it passed unanimously. Total income for January was \$1,410.79. The largest income was Texas Book Consignments \$404.75. Regular book sales were \$368.44. Memberships were \$110. The cash donations were \$215. Special events were \$173.10 and Mansfield Reads \$100.

President's Report:

- Membership mailing – Approximately 30 memberships were received as a result of the mailing which will make a total of approximately 50 paid members for 2012. Payments are now accepted through PayPal which seems to have made a difference in numbers.

Unfinished Business:

Library Wish List

- Wish list was distributed by Steve. The total requested is \$5,000.
- Children's materials - books and media. Check of \$2,750 requested for April.
- Hospital bookmarks – These are included in gift bags that are provided by Rotary to newborns at Mansfield Methodist. Last year

the cost of these was covered in the printing of the Friends bookmarks. They are included in the wish list this year in case they cannot be donated in the same manner. We will delay purchase until Annette informs us that the supply is depleted.

- 50 Books for Babies Kits at \$10. Has been requested for March at a total of \$500. These are given to teen moms at the ACE High School in MISD. They include a book, bib and bookmark which tells how to read to their babies. We also include Friends information and Mansfield Library information. These are purchased from ALTAFF.
- Summer Reading Club program support money of \$1,500. Has been requested for April.
- Sharon brought up the idea of developing a partnership with Rotary at the hospital but since they already provide the gift bags to the hospital and we just provide bookmarks to be included a partnership on this project is not needed. The possibility of future collaborations was discussed.
- Paula moved to approve funds on wish list. Sharman seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Mansfield Reads

- Stacey discussed the successful distribution of posters with the assistance of Scott Kissinger and Key Club. May not need additional help from other groups.
- Steve suggested set-up Friday morning starting with the main library and Community Room. The library would close at 4:00pm to complete all set-ups. The library staff will prepare the sound system and exhibit. The Friends will assist with tables, chairs and decorations.
- Jenny has located a "Dust Bowl" exhibit that includes photos and a cd to print brochures that would be used throughout the month. The fee is \$450 which includes shipping and four weeks to display the exhibit. Carol Ann moved to approve the exhibit. Robert seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- Jenny located a glass and wrought iron display cabinet at IKEA for \$129. Annette wanted a cabinet that would stay at the library and would lock. Friends were requested to loan period pieces (1929-1941). Jenny's family will donate display cabinet.
- Catering by Savvy's with a Texas and depression era theme.
- Decorations to include mason jars with flowers and aprons to hang on clothesline around the Community room.
- VIP check in table will be manned by Sharon and Sharman.
- Everyone needs to RSVP on the website. The capacity is set at 200.

- The Key to the city will be presented to Sandra Brown by the mayor.
- A big thank you goes to Pam for providing for the first time, live RSVPS on the website.

No New Business

Next Meeting:

March 13, 2012

Adjourn:

Meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm by Paula.