

2010 Friends Meeting Minutes

June 8, 2010

Attendees:

Paula Highfill, President

Carol Ann Grantham, Secretary

Jenny Elliott, 2nd Vice President

Kathy Buehner, 1st Vice-President

Sharman Miller

Loretta S. Reves

Steve Standefer

Marilyn George

A. Minutes Approval:	The meeting was called to order at 5:15 PM. Paula moved to approve the minutes and Jenny seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
B. Treasurer's Report:	<p>Diane was absent due to being on vacation. Paula presented the revised report for April which now includes all the expenses incurred for Mansfield Reads! and the TLA conference. Jenny made the motion to approve the revised report and Sharman seconded the motion. It passed unanimously. Paula then presented the May report. Sharman moved to approve it and Jenny seconded the motion. The report was approved unanimously.</p> <p>For information only: Mansfield Reads! expenses were about \$1,800 more than last year's. This was primarily due to having an out-of-town author (increased travel expenses) and a higher honorarium (\$1,000 instead of \$500). The cost of the books was also higher.</p>
C. Librarian's Report:	<p>The Board will meet on June 9. Steve will update them on what has been going on.</p> <p>Steve will attend a program at Legacy High School -- "School Outside the Walls" -- to talk to teachers about what is available at the library and how to improve communication between the schools and the library.</p> <p>The summer reading program is up and running.</p> <p>Steve has received a quote of \$1,531.41 for four new chairs and the shell for an additional chair. These are custom-made and of very high quality. The amount of \$765 is needed for</p>

	<p>the deposit and the balance is due net 30 days from delivery. Steve asked that we donate the money to the library and the library will then pay the required amount. We previously approved \$1,200 for the purchase. Since we did not spend all the money allotted for the TLA conference, Paula moved we transfer the remaining amount needed for the chairs from the TLA fund to the Furniture fund. Kathy seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.</p>
D. President's Report:	<p>The special presentation regarding "One City, One Book" program which came from the TLA session Paula attended is postponed until the October meeting.</p> <p>The Library Supporter's Conference will be held on July 24 in Decatur. Steve, Paula, and Jenny will attend as well as Bobby Quinton, one of the Board members.</p> <p>Jenny ordered the flocked pencils the staff requested. Unfortunately, we only make a very small profit on the sale of these pencils. Jenny also ordered digital calculators. She reported that book bag sales are down.</p>
E. Unfinished Business:	<p>Mansfield Reads: The selection committee will meet on Tuesday, June 15, at 5:00 to start getting ready for 2011.</p> <p>Mansfield Writes: The date for Mansfield Writes is set for Friday, October 29, 2010.</p> <p>ALTAFF Literary Landmark Designation: Steve has received approval from the City to apply for the designation. Paula will meet with Beverly during the summer to complete the necessary paperwork.</p>
F. New Business:	<p>Paula received an email from a company offering a discount on audio books for the library which she forwarded to John and Pat. Pat found that the companies the library already deals with offer audio books at the same or better prices. Pat prepared a list of nine audio books that can be purchased for \$508. Carol Ann moved that we approve the purchase of these books. The motion was seconded by Kathy and it passed unanimously.</p> <p>Jenny received a request from Terry Moore, a MISD Board member, for the donation of books for a new elementary school. Since our Bylaws allow us only to support the Mansfield Public Library, we cannot honor his request.</p>
G. Other Discussion Items	None.
H. Next Meeting:	The meeting adjourned at 6:00 PM. The next regular meeting will be September 14, 2010.

