

2010 Friends Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2010

Attendees:

Paula Highfill, President	Carol Ann Grantham, Secretary
Jenny Elliott, 2 nd Vice President	Diane Kelly Treasurer
Beverly Frank	Loretta S. Reves
Robert Lee	Marilyn George
Annette Weber	Steve Standefer

A. Minutes Approval:	The meeting was called to order at 5:10 PM. Diane moved to approve the minutes and Marilyn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
B. Treasurer's Report:	Diane presented the Treasurer's report. The primary expenses for the past month were for Mansfield Reads! and the TLA conference. Income was from book sales and a few additional donations to Mansfield Reads!. The report omitted the author dinner at La Gondola for Mansfield Reads! and will be amended to include that expense. The revised report will be presented and voted on at the next meeting.
C. Librarian's Report:	Annette reported that the library staff has requested more "flocked" pencils. Jenny will try to order more. Steve advised there is a Board meeting on May 12 at 6:00. The consultant the Board has been working with to develop long-range plans for the Library is still recovering from his heart attack and is back at work part-time. The library received an award for 2009 Excellence in Libraries from the Texas Municipal League. It will be presented at the City Council meeting on May 24 th . Friends attendance is always appreciated. A new date of July 24 has been set for the North Texas Library Supporters conference to be held in Decatur. A System Assembly meeting will be held on May 27 which Steve, Jenny and Paula will attend.
D. President's Report:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MECPTA Donation: Paula and Diane accepted \$1,500 this morning from the MECPTA. A portion of this donation will pay for the \$549.90 "toy" in the children's area. The summer reading donation of \$500 will also be

	<p>allocated from this donation. Annette will spend another \$450 for books for the library.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 8th Meeting: Paula will give a special presentation regarding “One City, One Book” program which came from the TLA session she attended. • Summer Reading Kick-off: There will not be a special kick-off for the summer reading program.
<p>E. Unfinished Business:</p>	<p>Mansfield Reads: About 100 people attended the Friday night event and 36 were at the workshop on Saturday. Good comments were made by attendees about the food. It is estimated we received about \$200 from Barnes & Noble sales. Paula asked that we submit any suggestions or comments via email to the Friends of the Library. We may need to have a called meeting for June to discuss Mansfield Reads! for next year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ALTAFF Literary Landmark Designation: Beverly has corresponded with Mr. Bonazzi. He is aware of the delay regarding obtaining the designation and is still interested in being the speaker if and when we have a set date. Paula confirmed through the Library of Congress that the publication of the first edition of the book was in 1961. However, a portion of the book appeared in “Sepia” magazine in 1960 and the date of the copyright is 1960. Paula also spoke again with Amanda at the News-Mirror. Amanda confirmed the newspaper will be printing a 50th anniversary retrospective which will include events before and after publication of the book, whether or not the Library receives the ALTAFF designation, although the paper would like the designation to be part of the retrospective. Steve, Paula, Beverly and Belinda will meet with Shelly with the City to explain the Literary Landmark Designation. If the City gives us the go-ahead, we will apply for the designation.
<p>F. New Business:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mansfield Writes – Date: This event usually is held in the first week of November. Steve will talk to the staff to see if they prefer it be on a Friday evening or a Saturday morning. The general consensus was that it be in the main part of the library on a Friday night, either October 29 or November 12.
<p>G. Other Discussion Items</p>	<p>None.</p>
<p>H. Next Meeting:</p>	<p>The meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM. The next meeting will be June 8, 2010.</p>

