

# 2012 Friends Meeting Minutes

September 11, 2012

## **Attendees:**

Paula Highfill-President	Sharman Miller
Carol Ann Grantham-Vice President	Carlton Cloud
Jenny Elliott, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Loretta Reves
Diane Kelly-Treasurer	Annette Weber
Stacey Guttman-Secretary	Sharon Zambrzycki
Steve Standefer	Robert Lee
Joyce Sternberg	Cris Slimak

## **Approval of Minutes:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 pm by Paula. The minutes from the June 12 meeting were presented. Sharman moved to approve the minutes as written. Robert seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Diane presented the report for June, July and August. Notable for June expenses were the following items: Friends book cart (\$310) and new supply of Really Big coloring books (\$378). July expense was \$400 for re-supply of Friends book bags to sell. August expense was printing (\$244) for Friends bookmarks and bookmarks for new baby welcome bags at Mansfield Methodist Hospital. Notable income for June included credit for the return of unsold Mansfield Reads books. There was no deposit in July. August income was from regular book sales and Texas Book Consignments. A motion was made by Joyce and seconded by Robert to approve the reports and it passed unanimously.

## **President's Report:**

- **ALTAFF** is now called "United for Libraries: the Association of Library Trustees, Advocates, Friends and Foundations."
- **TLA** copies of the TLAcast were distributed. Friends are asked to advocate for libraries. Save the date for the Texas Book Festival in Austin on October 27-28. The 2013 TLA conference will be held in Fort Worth April 24-27.
- **Audit 2011** Carol Ann, Loretta, Stacey volunteered to review the monthly reports.
- **Barnes & Noble Book Fair Gift Wrap Event** is scheduled for Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 5:00pm-9:00pm. The group opted to accept proceeds in cash as opposed to a gift card.

**Unfinished Business:**

- **Plaque/Nameplate** for the Friends book cart and display case was discussed. Paula will research options.
- **Mansfield Writes Friday, is October 19<sup>th</sup> 7:00p.m.-9:00p.m.** Pam has the website ready for RSVP. Volunteers are needed in the following positions: greeter, registration, food & drink and product table. Set-up begins at 9:00a.m. Friday morning. The group discussed the possibility of expansion of the format.
- **Friends of Libraries Week October 21-27** Discussion was had regarding conducting a year long membership drive that would kick off during NOFL Week. The tenth anniversary of Mansfield Reads! is in 2013. It will be the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Mansfield Writes! There is also a possibility of other new programs in 2013. The group opted to undertake the drive and to apply for a United for Libraries NOFL Week award.
- **Mansfield Reads!** A variety of books and writers were discussed for the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary. There was discussion regarding increasing the author honorarium. Sharman made a motion that we do so. Joyce seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

**New Business:** No New Business

**Next Meeting:**

October 9, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.

**Adjourn:**

The meeting was adjourned by Paula at 7:10 p.m.