

# Meeting of the Friends of Lake Travis Community Library

## March 26, 2009

### **In Attendance**

Joyce Botta, Diane Taylor, Sandy Price, Margaret McDermott, Helen Kott, Patricia Raring, Amy Holland, Carol Black, Jonila McGinley, Jeannie Buderer, Susan Gilman, Earlene Loflin, Carol Bosse, Nancy Pencsak, and Sharon Rogers.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Joyce Botta.

**Minutes:** Margaret McDermott made a motion that the February Minutes be approved. Helen Kott seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed.

### **I. REPORTS**

#### **Volunteer Report – Earlene Loflin**

- Earlene reported that volunteers are contributing much help with 559 adult volunteer hours and 185 teen hours recorded in February. New volunteers continue to be trained.
- Six teens qualify for a scholarship this year.

#### **Treasurer's Report – Amy Holland**

- Amy advised that a Prosperity CD had matured (\$11,700). She added additional funds to it and purchased an 11-month Colonial CD for \$15,000 at 2.75% interest. Another CD matures in June. As there are funds currently available, Amy suggested another CD be purchased at Colonial since the interest rate is favorable at this time. She will follow up.
- Diane Taylor moved that the Friends purchase the audio CDs that have been ordered (\$1413.75) for the library. Helen Kott seconded the motion and it was approved.
- Margaret McDermott moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted; this was seconded by Jonila McGinley and approved.

#### **Library Report – Sue Gilman**

- Sue reported that 247 people attended various events in February. The door count of 4,949 was up from a year ago, as was circulation. As of 3/6/09, the collection numbers 28,304.
- Carol Black and Nancy Pencsak inventoried the DVDs using Nancy's scanner, but since it is not compatible with the library computers, another scanner will be purchased in order to inventory the entire collection.
- The Children's Summer Reading Program will run from June 6th until August 7<sup>th</sup>. There will also be a craft camp and science camp, both of which welcome volunteers. Additionally, an adult summer reading program is in the planning stages.
- Sue thanked Sharon Rogers for straightening/organizing the work room.
- A software program, Envisionware, has been ordered to help with monitoring the public computers.
- Tomorrow the library celebrates its 3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary with cookies and giveaways, as well as a membership drive for the Friends.

### **Programs – Helen Kott**

- Helen advised on the following programs:
  - The book clubs are underway with 11 attending the Wine Book Club on Monday. Wednesday's meeting at the Wine Trader was postponed because of weather. Sharon Rogers' Classics group has an organizational meeting on March 27th.
  - The craft group, headed by Diane Taylor, has an organizational meeting this afternoon.
  - We hope to sponsor an author visit in May or in the fall. Other programs are being scheduled for the fall.
  - The 2009 Lake Travis Reads Program is concluding. Representatives of the American Friendship Foundation (a group that builds schools in Afghanistan) will conduct a program at Emmaus church tonight. Since there is no honorarium, Helen moved that we give a \$100 donation to AFF. The motion was seconded by Tricia Raring and approved.
  - The "Pennies for Peace" donations will be sent to Greg Mortenson's program.

### **Scholarship – Margaret McDermott**

- Scholarship applications are due on March 27<sup>th</sup>. To date, three have been received.

### **Membership – Jonila McGinley**

- A volunteer/staff appreciation party is scheduled for Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 6-8 p.m. at the Lakeway Activity Center. It will be a wine and cheese party similar to last year's event. Spouses will be invited. New volunteers will receive a special invitation in the mail and be introduced at the event.

### **District Report – Helen Kott**

- PEC gave the Library a donation of \$1,000.
- The current net worth is \$872,000.
- The May election has been cancelled as incumbents Sharon Rogers and Bob Johntz are running for board positions unopposed.
- CPR and defibrillator training is being offered at the Lakeway Activity Center on April 18, May 23, and June 27. Staff members will attend and volunteers are also welcome. The defibrillator training is free and the cost of materials will be \$20 per person. Those interested in attending should call the Activity Center to sign up.
- A Suggestion Box will be placed in the Library.

### **Fund Raising – Nancy Pencsak**

- Nancy thanked everyone for their help at the March 7<sup>th</sup> book sale. The proceeds were \$1,787. The next Sale is June 6; the price of books will remain at \$8.00 per bag.
- After the sale, five boxes of books were given to Hillcrest Bank for a senior center they are sponsoring. In return the bank plans to donate \$100 to the Friends.
- Nancy also reported on-line book sales of \$541.82 in February.

## **Publicity – Sandy Price**

- Information about the Anniversary Celebration was sent to local publications. It was suggested that a picture be taken at the event for publication in the Lake Travis View.
- Tricia Raring reported that she took a box of “Read Me” books to Java Dive. The owner was delighted and gave a donation of 40 \$5 gift certificates to the Friends. These will be given out at the Anniversary Celebration tomorrow.
- Friends Membership Forms have been completed and will be available at the Anniversary Celebration.

## **II. OLD BUSINESS**

- A check for \$269.56 was received from the Lake Travis Arts League as they are closing out their account.
- Randall’s Good Neighbor Program continues to generate funds. Sue Gilman will publicize it at the bottom of the checkout slip given to patrons to encourage more participation in the program.

## **III. NEW BUSINESS**

- The dates of the next two meetings will be on the fourth Thursday of the month – April 23<sup>rd</sup> and May 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Nancy Pencsak recommended that the by-laws be revised to eliminate the reference to yearly general membership meetings, as all meetings of the Friends are general membership meetings. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

## **IV. NEXT MEETING**

**The April 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting will be held at 9.30 AM in the Library. Please note change of date from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday in the month.**

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Carol Bosse, Corresponding Secretary

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Joyce Botta, President