Meeting of the Friends of the Lake Travis Community Library October 16, 2008

In Attendance

Helen Kott, Diane Taylor, Nancy Pencsak, Ann Schulte, Carol Black, Sandy Price, Joyce Botta, Jonila McGinley, Grace Plummer, Katherine Prieskop, Sarah Samson, Ann Holt, Jeannie Buderer, Betty Rische and Gerhardt G. Rische.

The meeting was called to order by President Helen Kott.

Minutes - Joyce Botta

Ann Holt made a motion that the September minutes be approved. Nancy Pencsak seconded the motion and they were unanimously approved.

I. REPORTS

Volunteer Report - Earlene Loflin

- Next week is National Friends of the Library Week. The staff has gift bags and refreshment for volunteers. Stop by and get your thank you gift and have refreshments with the staff.
- ❖ The October 3 Volunteer Training and Coffee was a success with 22 attendees.
- New volunteer, Roxy Hibbs, will be filling the Monday 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM circulation desk slot.

Treasurer's Report - Diane Taylor

- Diane asked that the Friends review the budget and get back to her if there were questions or comments.
- Current trajectory indicates we will end the year with a \$53,000 reserve.
- Joyce Botta made the motion that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as is. It was seconded by Ann Schulte and unanimously approved.

Library Director Report - Sarah Samson

- ❖ September Stats new patron count 74, door and circulation counts continue to climb.
- ❖ You no longer need a Tex Share Card to use the Austin public libraries.
- Ninety-four pairs of shoes were collected for the shoe drive for Lake Travis Reads.
- ❖ New software will be installed to limit patron time on the computer when we have people waiting to use the computer.
- The Library will sponsor a Halloween program including trick or treating with local merchants on October 30.
- Author of "Mexican Enough", Stephaine Griest, will be speaking at the library on November 3 at 7:00 PM. Invite a friend and come listen to this very interesting author.
- ❖ Red "We Recommend" cards are available for volunteers and staff to fill out on books they have read. Don't forget to remove the card when the book is checked out.
- ❖ Diane Taylor made the motion that we purchase 25 "PlayAways" (audio books on devices that allow you to listen to book without owning your own CD player, I-Pod or other MP3 type player). Catherine Prieskop seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved. If patrons seem to like them, we can buy more "playaways" for the library.

Fund Raising - Nancy Pencsak

Small boxes and bubble wrap are needed for packing books sold on Amazon.Com. Please bring all you extra boxes and bubble wrap to the library we can recycle them for you and save money for the Friends. Anytime you are ordering something thru Amazon.Com don't forget to go thru the www.LakeTraivsLibrary.Org. We get a percentage of all sales that go thru our website.

Scholarship Committee - Margaret McDermott

Helen Kott reported that Elizabeth Walden will be replacing Ginger Gober on the Scholarship Committee

Lake Travis Community Library District Report - Helen Kott

- Treasure's report stated that the net worth is \$730,000. A copy of the financial report is available for review in the library.
- Library District Fund Raising Committee is currently on hold.
- Joyce and John Champeny were formally thanked by the Library District Board for their generous gift.

President's Report - Helen Kott

- Officer Nominating Committee will present their slate of nominees in November. It will be posted in the library and voted on in the December meeting.
- Rich Fabish has again applied for a \$1,000 grant from IBM for the Friends.
- Notes from the meeting with the architect were emailed and comments were due today. Thanks to all that attended the meeting with the architects and gave their input for our new library.

II. OLD BUSINESS

- Joyce Botta, Diane Taylor and Katherine Prieskop will review the Friends By Laws and make recommendations on needed changes.
- We are still looking for input on what you think the Friends should be doing for the library and the community.

III. NEW BUSINESS

- Beginning in November Sandy Price, Public Relations Chair, will be giving a report on how we are communicating about the library and The Friends to the community.
- Sarah Samson and Sandy Price will work on a brochure to publicize the Friends and recruit new Friends.
- Diane Taylor made the motion that we spend \$1,000 on audio books. Ann Holt seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

IV. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be November 20, 2008, at 10:15 AM. Please plan to attend.

The December Meeting and Party will be held at the home of Joyce Champeny. A sign up sheet will be posted for what you would like to bring to the party.

Joyce Botta, Recording Secretary

Helen Kott. President