

FRIENDS' MEETING MINUTES – November 15, 2018

Attending – Jana Dodd, Nancy Pencsak, Joyce Botta, Morgan McMillian, Raj Kamat, Mimi King

Meeting started at 9:35 a.m.

Minutes from September 20, 2018 approved by email.

In Amy Holland's absence, Morgan presented the Treasurer's report. Friends have a cash balance of \$14,775 as of November 15, 2018.

Reports

Library Director, Morgan McMillian, gave the following reports:

Volunteers – Danielle thanked the Friends for sponsoring the Volunteer Appreciation Gala and paying the Jazz Ensemble.

Scholarship Committee is ready to go with applications for next year's teen volunteers.

Outreach – need help spreading the word of Homebound Delivery service. Now have 4 active participants.

Apache Shores hosted their 2nd Bookmobile movie night with 46 in attendance.

New stops for Bookmobile include Belmont Village, service starting November 19; Bee Creek United Methodist Church; the Islamic Center of Lakeway; and the Lake Travis United Methodist Preschool.

ELS and Citizenship classes will start up again in January 2019.

Karen will be a panel member at the Texas Library Association Conference in April 2019

Library – Launch Pads preloaded with 10 educational apps are available for children to use in library or check-out.

Sarah Bird, author of *Daughter of a Daughter of a Queen* has been selected as guest author for 2019 Lake Travis Reads.

Long Range plan through 2021 has been approved. Focus is on a 2nd location and extending library hours.

Purchasing new furniture to replace old in the children's area.

Library received a \$1000 grant to launch a “Great Decisions” lecture and discussion series. A program sponsored by the Foreign Policy Association. The 8-week discussion on world affairs will be Thursday evenings, starting in February 2019. More information on the Foreign Policy Association can be found at fpa.org.

Last month, the Library was selected by American Red Cross as a delivery site to help recent flood victims.

A few volunteers have made a request for funds to support a Silent Disco Night dance party to be held at the library. The event will be a fund raiser. Decision to approve request was tabled until the Friends have more information.

New Business:

Librarian Raj Kamat explained the library’s new “Hotspot” program. Ten portable devices serviced by T-Mobile will be available for a 2-week checkout. Patrons will be able to access wi-fi away from the library within the library district. The kits will contain the device, directions for use and policy. In case of lost/damage replacement cost is \$75.

Book Sales – Nancy’s Amazon sales on “vacation” – will start up again soon.

Flash sale planned for Friday, November 30. Jana will send email requesting help for the day.

Art Committee – the committee made a few changes to the Library’s Art Exhibit Policy. Morgan moved to accept the changes; Joyce seconded. The changes were approved. The new policy is attached.

Book Donations – Recruit an additional volunteer to help Joe Rodriquez on Mondays with donations. They would sub, work on the 5th Monday of the month and in the Book nook.

No election for officers required this year. All officers are serving two-year terms; elected in 2017.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Next meeting Thursday, December 13, 2018.

Jana Dodd, President

Mimi King, Recording Secretary

Date