

Minutes for May 17, 2011

Call to order:

The meeting was called to order at 10 a.m.

Members present:

Donna Woody, Marla Sones, Betty Gregoire, Ken Orr, John Hoag, Bobbie Hentschel, Cara Russell

Library Director's Report:

Cara gave us copies of the Summer Reading Program's brochure produced by Marie Kimbrough. She told us that the Newsletter will be sent out as a blast to all the patrons of the library including last year's sponsors of the Christmas Tour and the Dining Out in Dripping Raffle.

Approve April Minutes:

The minutes were approved with the addition of a link to the Friends 2011 budget.

Treasurer's Report:

Marla reported that we currently have \$4912.84 in the bank an increase of #605.07 from last month.

Ken Orr, Membership Chair, was approved to be the second signature on the checking account, along with Marla Sones. Once he has a copy of these minutes he will go to Cattleman's Bank and fill out the necessary paperwork.

Cara said that if we want Pay Pal or the ability to accept credit cards for membership on our web page we need to go to our bank and they will tell us how to proceed. Marla and John Hoag will investigate that. Marla will also order new checks.

Marla demonstrated a new way of sharing financial reports, minutes, newsletter articles and basically all documents among the Board members. It is done by setting up a free account at Google for the Friends of the Library. The author of the document has control but the members of the group can view it and add comments. She will email the procedures to us.

Membership Report:

Ken has revamped the membership list xl file to make it easier to view names and addresses, etc. Please look at the file and send any updates or corrections to him. He donated a copy of his new book The Oklahoma Kid to the library. If you need some Friends of the Library brochures he has them. He gives them out whenever he is out selling books. The next time we need to print them we will talk with Cara about having UPS do it. Donna will hang the membership plaques in the lobby by our bulletin board after the meeting.

Newsletter Report:

John asked if the text version of the newsletter blast could have some sort of introductory message. Cara has added the following:

Saving trees. Spending wisely.

The Friends of the Dripping Springs Community Library are GOING GREEN!

Please click on the link below to access our latest newsletter.

If you prefer, it can also be printed out.

John also suggested we publish the newsletter more frequently. We agreed to do one to be released no later than Sept. 15. It will recognize our generous sponsors and volunteers. It will also make room for some poetry. That will be followed up by the Home Tour edition to be out by the middle of October.

John also suggested that all board members have their email addresses included by their name on our web page's list of Board Members. Donna will check to see if all are willing.

Christmas Tour Report:

Margaret Wimmer couldn't attend but updated Donna on her progress. She has one person signed up for the tour from Ranches at Hamilton Pool. Trisha Dabney owns a small B&B off of south RR12 that would like to be on the tour. She is in contact with someone from Ventana who may be interested, and she is trying to get the owners of Driftwood Estates Winery on the tour. She has put a notice in the Community Digest of one of the local papers asking people to have their home on the tour. Donna suggested the historic home that is on the Ne corner of Mercer and Old Fitzhugh, across from where the post office used to be. John mentioned the house located on Harrison Ranch Park and wondered if that could be used. Donna will look into it.

Old Business:

Bobbie Hentschel reported on the donations she has received so far for the summer reading program. She showed us some cute gardening gifts she had made from a donation from Tractor Supply. She has received donations and/or promises of donations from Vik Jewelers, Whataburger, Sunset Canyon Pottery, Grand Slam Pizza, Sunrise Café. She has talked to and will follow up with Tiger Clinic, UPS, Jordyn's Closet, Home Depot, HEB, Print Plus, Delicious Nutritious and Walgreens. Donna will help her canvas the remaining fast food places and previous donors before the end of the month.

Someone suggested coupons for oil changes or lubes for the adult rewards.

New business:

Booth at Farmers Market on June 25 12 to 1:30

Donna, Marla and Bobbie will be available to work at the booth. We will borrow Ken Orr's 10x10 canopy and Marla's 4 ft table. Cara will give us some materials from the library to distribute.

Ken Orr said we should check into having a table at the annual Fall Pound House event.

John Hoag suggested looking into a new event to add to the Home Tour. An event later that same evening featuring a tasting of wines from around the world along with some food at a nice private home could be billed as a VIP Ticket and priced at \$100 a couple or more. WE could also thank the home

hosts and sponsors by including this free of charge to them. He will talk with Star of Texas Liquors and others about donating the wine. Donna will talk with Sharon Lesicko and others about what 's involved in organizing these things. It may be possible to get his going this year.

Next Meeting

We will meet on Tuesday, June 14 at the library at 10 a.m.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45a.m.