

FPAL MEETING MINUTES

01/10/2017

Call to Order:

President Mary Jane Yarrington called the meeting to order at 5:29.

Board members present:

Mary Jane Yarrington, Jennifer Richardson, Ferryn Twarkins, Amy Brinkerhoff, Ann Callendar, Pat Watson, Tom Twarkins, Lynn Oswald, Mary Green, Kurt Norris, and Rebekah Swope.

Minutes: Amy

Motion to approve minutes of the November 8, 2016 meeting was made by Jennifer and seconded by Pat and passed.

Treasurer's Report: Ferryn

Account balances through December 2016:

Checking: \$7071.09

Amazon Smile: \$94.78

Savings: \$7625.80

CD: \$23,356.92

Alyssa's: October \$167.51 November \$171.91

Library: \$ 275.31 (Oct-Dec)

We also received \$300.00 in donations.

Motion to approve treasurer's report was made by Jennifer, seconded by Mary Jane, and approved.

Terri Urquhart: We had 84 children for Santa's visit, all went well and were thankful for our donations of cookies. New Year's program activities included a movie & crafts. The Book Chat Book Club will meet in February and the book is "A Man Called Ove". The Pace Garden Club will present a variety of programs during the year beginning with the Mr. Spud Workshop in February. "Building a Better World" is the theme of the summer reading program which will begin in June. Terri will need 8 volunteers to assist. We will get a list of volunteers closer to the time of the event.

Old Business:

Motion to approve previous Treasurer's report from November meeting was made by Mary Jane and seconded by Jennifer, and passed.

Membership fee increase:

Jennifer presented her research that membership fees in other Friend's groups are around \$20.00 and as high as \$25.00 in some cases for individuals. A brief discussion about the likelihood that supporters will continue to support the library rather we stay at the current \$10.00 or go to \$20.00 to increase our revenue as book sale proceeds will be drastically reduced occurred. Mary Jane is expressing the importance of donations in the annual letter to our membership. A motion to increase our individual membership to \$20.00 and family membership to \$30.00 was made by Mary Jane and seconded by Becky, and passed.

The minutes of the approved meeting will be sent to Martha for inclusion on the FPAL web-site as previously approved.

Lynn presented her findings about library activity communication from Brandi Whitehurst, the SRC Public Information Officer. There is a news release that encompasses library activities which can be subscribed to by interested parties. Kurt currently gets this communication and will forward the link to Ferryn. Ferryn will send an email to all of our members with the link to assist in keeping our members informed of upcoming events. Lynn will also follow up with Gwen about additional methods of keeping our patrons informed of library events. The calendar on the county's web site can be filtered to show only the events at a certain branch if desired. A newsletter produced by the Friend's group was mentioned but no one volunteered to produce it and there are cost considerations as well.

New Business:

We are down to one storage unit (Ferryn sent pictures to us). Ferryn, Tom, Mary Jane and Mary Green have all been keeping up with the donations and some overflow was already given to Goodwill. Mary Jane will contact Ed about requesting the Navy volunteers to assist us with moving the boxes from the storage unit to the library for our sale. Tom will contact Goodwill and see if they can have a truck at the library at the conclusion of the sale to remove unsold books as this will need to be done on Saturday. Terri has done a layout of the available space so we are in compliance with ADA and arranged for tables to be brought to the library for our sale. The set up for the sale will be Thursday, March 16th and we will have our annual meeting at 5:30 that evening instead of the regular schedule date of March 14.

Mary Jane asked Jennifer, Lynn & Fred to be the nominating committee for new board members and they agreed.

Our next meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2017 @ 5:30pm.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jennifer, seconded by Mary Green and passed at 6:28.

Minutes submitted and approved as written/corrected.

Amy Brinkerhoff, Secretary

Mary Jane Yarrington, President