

Friends of Henderson Libraries

Minutes April 26, 2016

Board Member attendees: Marian Brown, Alexandra Costa, Leslie Finzer, Cindy Vallar, Paula Petruso, and Laura Carroll. Guests: Angela Thornton, Gayle Hornaday, Joy Gunn, and Candace Kingsley.

President Marian Brown called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. The minutes of the March meeting were approved as submitted.

Ms. Thornton thanked the Friends for supporting the Teen Writing Contest. The contest attracted 184 participants and their families. Ms. Kingsley echoed that thanks from the Gibson library.

Ms. Brown announced the stone on the Giving Tree in honor of Joan Dalusung has been installed as well as the leaf in memory of Pat Anger.

Julie Buckley revealed that Mark Hall Patton and wife Colleen will be the Honorary Chairs for Library Tree Lane. The Trivia Night at Shakespeare's Pub netted \$280 for Friends. LTL has received a large donation of Lladro figurines which will be sold on Ebay, if possible. Additionally, a donation of collectible pocket watches, coins and currency may be listed for sale online or other means. Ms. Buckley will investigate alternatives. LTL is recruiting additional volunteers who can solicit donations for the auction baskets.

Alexandra Costa distributed March financial reports for review.

Cindy Vallar mentioned the need for a new member database as our current software is outdated and difficult to extract information from with any reliability. Joy Gunn recommended "Wild Apricot" as used by the Nevada Library Association. Ms. Costa mentioned additional programs available for database management. They will get together to evaluate alternatives.

Leslie Finzer reviewed March book sale figures: Gibson sale: \$1,026.55; Paseo Verde sale: \$2,506.65. Bookstores: Gibson: \$898.29; Green Valley: \$829.20; Paseo Verde: \$2,927.20. Amazon (net): \$5,872.68, for a March total of \$14,158.47.

Ms. Petruso needs articles for the summer newsletter by July 1.

Huge *thank you* to Trudy Casey for producing new bookstore signs for all branches! They're beautiful!

Ms. Vallar displayed sample new book bags available for purchase in all branches. On her motion, seconded by Ms. Petruso, it was approved to buy 1500 bags in 3 different colors at a cost of \$1,425. Additionally, Ms. Vallar has purchased lanyards and plastic pouches for Friends to wear at community events.

Ms. Thornton solicited possible Friends participation at the Nevada Library Association State Conference October 17-19 at the South Point Resort. Panel discussions may be included on Friends, book sales, and gala events for fundraising.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m. Our next meeting is June 28.

For the Board,

Leslie Finzer, Secretary