

Friends of the Davis Public Library

Board Meeting

June 15, 2017

Karen McCluskey, Harry Roth, Margo Glenn-Lewis, Net Heberlein, Kathy Coleman, Elizabeth Mosely (a visitor and member of the Human Relations Commission), Hank Wyman, Gary Godefroy, Rory Osborne, Holly Bishop, Scott Love, Crista Cannariato, Nancy Holland and Edith Vermeij were present as Rory called the meeting to order at 7:06.

I. **April, 2017 Minutes**

The minutes from February were approved by consensus.

II. **Reports**

A. Librarian

Scott has a library report (always a good read), which will be attached to these minutes.

County Librarian interviews will begin on June 28.

We got a State Library Grant for a virtual reality system. The first set will start out at West Sacramento and then come here.

Scott thanked Nancy for the donation of books for the Migrant Center.

B. President

Rory will mostly discuss items that come up later.

C. Treasurer

Kathy discussed her various reports (which she sent out to us earlier this week).

D. Book Sale

Gary noted that the recent sale went well. It raised \$8,007.

E. Library Advisory Board

Holly talked about the Facilities Master Plan. There has been a lot of work—surveys, outreach community forums, meetings—and they have a good start to putting it together.

The Library Advisory Board went to Clarksburg for their last meeting. It was a great field trip.

F. Reading Garden

Edith wants a new cart. Scott will send her the color options. She would also like to get some new signs to advertise the “new books”.

G. Sorting/Donations

The jail wants books again, so Nancy will get them paperbacks every other week.

She is ready to recruit new sorters and needs some people to haul books.

The outside display case needs some reorganization.

H. Membership

Camille was not here, but there were quite a few new memberships at the last sale.

I. Special Events

Juneteenth

Hank reported on this very successful event.

Celebrate Davis

Hank also reported on this event. Our booth was just mobbed.

J. Logos Books

There have been several author events lately in the store.

Volunteers are still needed.

We sell 1500-2000 books a month and have made \$6-7,000 each month (the expenses are about 50% of this).

UCD students from the Consult Your Community Club have studied the store and gave a marvelous presentation on the work that can be done to improve the business.

K. Book Menders

Net notes that we are making a little money for the private mends we do. We need a new book mender or two.

III. Old Business (and action items from April)

A. Board Job Descriptions

Rory sent out the draft of these and will send out changes soon.

B. Store Coupons

Hank had a suggestion at the store that they sell gift certificates. He will come up with a proposal.

C. Library Budget

We have all studied this for the last 2 months. The library is requesting \$104,600. (Karen moved and Rory seconded—unanimous!)

IV. New Business

A. Finance Committee

Kathy introduced the proposed budget for Friends. (Net moved, Holly seconded—another unanimous vote.)

Otherwise, she reported that the finance committee (Rory, Kathy, Gary and Camille) met and are suggesting investing \$100,000 with Charles Schwab. (Gary moved, Holly seconded—unanimous)

B. Book Bags for Youngsters Getting First Library Card

Karen suggested having a book bag for kids getting their first library card as a part of this exciting rite of passage.

C. Sisters in Crime Grant Application

Hank has submitted this grant application. They do a random monthly drawing, so we do not know when, or if, we will get the \$500. If we do, it will make for a nice event at Logos.

D. Problem with the State and our Nonprofit Status

The paperwork is in place and we are awaiting a decision for our reinstatement.

E. Postcards

Rory wanted to make the reminder postcards with their \$4 value be usable for Logos purchases and not just book sales.

F. Logos Party

July 23 there will be a volunteer get-together at the store.

V. Action Items

The following were identified as Action Items for the next meeting:

Store Coupons

Books Bags for Youngsters

Nonprofit Status

The meeting adjourned at 8:50.

The next regular board meeting will be Thursday, August 10 at 7:00.

Check out the NEW web site at www.davislibraryfriends.org.

It really is beautiful and informative and includes a lot of information about Logos.

Submitted by Karen McCluskey

Friends' purpose: To assist the Davis Public Library in efforts to raise funds, plan for expansion of physical facilities, develop the library's book collection, encourage reading programs for children, and to promote the library as a cultural center for the city of Davis
