**FRIENDS OF THE BUDA LIBRARY**

Minutes of Board Meeting—Wednesday, August 4, 2021

Board Members Present: Joan Givens, Cristin Cooke, Carla Woodworth, Zach Teegardin

Board Members Absent: Stephanie Pecuch

Others Present: Melinda Hodges, Librarian, and Roberta Haas and Nancy Pier

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Joan Givens, President. Meeting was conducted via online Zoom.

**ACTION ITEMS**

1. **Board minutes:** Motion made by Joan, second by Zach and carried to accept minutes from the July 7, 2021 Board meeting.
2. **Treasurer’s report:** Zach Teegardin providedemailed reports. Balance in Money Market is $6,110.55. Balance in Checking account is $18,260.56 Motions made by Carla, second by Joan and carried to accept the Treasurer’s report. It is attached to meeting minutes.

**LIBRARIAN’S REPORT**

Book Club: Wednesday, August 11th at 4:00 pm. The group will be discussing Last Call: A True Story of Love, Lust, and Murder in Queer New York by Elon Green.

As of the end of July, 463 kids and teens turned in reading logs, with 437,200 minutes.

Access Video on Demand is a new video-streaming service available through the library. It has over 40,000 educational documentaries, films, and more from producers like A&E Network, BBC Learning, HBO, National Geographic, and many more.

Access Video on Demand – Just For Kids is a new video-streaming service available through the library. It is full of kid-safe, advertising-free videos sure to educate and entertain, from producers like PBS, Sesame Street, Reading Rainbow, and many more.

Simultaneous access is available for both services, so there are never any holds or waiting lists.

Youth programming will restart the week of September 5th. We are closely watching the county reports regarding the pandemic and will decide on in-person versus online programming closer to the end of August.

* + Mondays and Tuesdays at 10:30 am – Toddler Storytime (pre-registration required)
	+ Mondays – Monday Mix-Up for middle and high schoolers at 4:30 pm
	+ Tuesdays – Homeschool Adventure for children 6 -11 years old at 2:00 pm
	+ Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 am – Preschool Storytime (pre-registration required)
	+ Wednesdays – Buda BLAST for 5 – 7 year-olds at 4:00 pm
	+ Thursdays – Buda Kids for 8 – 11 year-olds at 4:00 pm

Brian Martinez-Scales has joined the library staff as a circulation clerk.

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After 17 years with the library, Martha Sanders will be retiring on August 31st. We will have a community celebration for her on Saturday, August 21st from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm, with a program at 4:30 pm.

Caitlin Foley will be promoted to Assistant Director/Youth Librarian.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**EVENTS:** Cristin Cooke reports that the Book Club is well attended.

**FUNDRAISING:** Carla reports that the MOD PIZZA fundraisers continue monthly. July earnings are $31.32. Next event is Aug. 17th. Be sure to tell the CASHIER you are ordering on behalf of the fundraiser and use the order code if ordering online. We will need to reevaluate if its worth the time and effort to continue the event as less people seem to be attending. Roberta confirms that she will work on obtaining donations for a “raffle” basket for the December book sale.

**BOOKS:** Nancy will get the Boy Scouts to deliver the books from our storage unit to the City Hall multi-purpose room where we will have our book sale on the evening of Tues. Nov. 30th. We have the room available to us 11/30 to 12/6. The sale will be 12/3-12/5. Members only event will be on 12/3. The library is able to take book donations again starting on Aug. 7th. We will need to pick them up from the library as there is limited storage space.

**COMMUNICATION:**  No updates.

**CONTINUING BUSINESS & NEW BUSINESS**

* Due to increasing concerns with Covid, we will continue to meet via ZOOM.
* Chamber luncheon – 2nd Weds. of the month. Next event is to August 11th at 11:30 am at OCSC with guest speaker Mayor Urbanovsky with the State of the City report. Carla will attend.
* Discussion regarding Martha’s retirement party. Event will be Aug. 21 4-6 pm at City Hall. Melinda requests assistance with hosting. Roberta volunteered herself and Rita to help. Allie will help with treats. Funds needed will come from the remaining amount given to the library by FOBL. Other Board and leadership FOBL members will support.

Next meeting will be held via ZOOM on Wednesday, Sept. 1st, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Carla Woodworth, Secretary