**FRIENDS OF THE BUDA LIBRARY**

Minutes of Meeting—Wednesday, May 5, 2021

Board Members Present: Joan Givens, Cristin Cooke, Carla Woodworth, Stephanie Pecuch

Board Members Absent: Zach Teegardin

Others Present: Melinda Hodges, Librarian

**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:** Motions made and carried to accept minutes from April 7th 2021, Board meeting.
2. **Treasurer’s report:** Zack Teegardin providedemailed reports. Balance in Money Market is $6,116.46. Balance in Checking account is $16,567.91 Motions made and carried to accept the Treasurer’s report. It is attached to meeting minutes.

**LIBRARIAN’S REPORT**

Melinda states that all activities are still online or virtual and no assistance from FOBL members is needed at this time. Melinda’s written report:

May Flowers: Saturday, May 8th at 10:30 am. Planting kits can be picked up at the library beginning May 3rd.

Book Club: Wednesday, May 14th at 4:00 pm. The group will be discussing The Splendid and the Vile by Erik Larson, from chapter 52 through epilogue.

Hays County Master Gardeners Class – Earth Kind Landscaping: Saturday, May 15th at 10:30 am.

Registration for summer classes will begin on the library’s website on Monday, May 17th.

IMAC Adult Art Class: Wednesday, May 19th at 6:00 pm; fluorescent jellyfish.

Emergency Preparedness Class with Mike Beggs: Tuesday, May 25th at 6:30 pm.

Mondays at 5:00 is the class for middle and high schoolers.

Tuesdays at 4:00 is the class for 5 – 7 year olds.

Thursdays at 4:30 is the class for 8 – 11 year olds.

The library now has 118 activity kits. They have been checked out a total of 471 times.

COVID-19 RESPONSE

Recent changes

* Public computer use is available for 2 hours a day for library patrons and 1 hour a day for guest users.
* Current operating hours
  + Monday 10:00 am to 7:00 pm
  + Tuesday 10:00 am to 7:00 pm
  + Wednesday 10:00 am to 7:00 pm
  + Thursday 10:00 am to 7:00 pm
  + Friday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
  + Saturday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
* Study rooms will be available for use beginning Monday, May 10th.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**EVENTS:** Cristin Cooke reports that the Book Club is going strong with approximately 12 members participating regularly.

**FUNDRAISING:** Carla reports that the MOD PIZZA fundraisers continue monthly and are booked through May 2022. April results have not posted yet. Commitments for May 12th event have been met. The code for online orders this month is: GR171119F.

**BOOKS:** Currently, a book drive is not scheduled. Discussion regarding the next Book Sale – agreement is to hold in December at City Hall. Perhaps will do a “pop-up” but concern is manpower to select and retrieve books from storage unit, as well as to staff the event. Cristin will check on possible availability of locations that don’t charge us.

**COMMUNICATION:**  Cristin continues to manage social media, send emails and update the website. She is working on the recognitions for donors and Perk Partners.

**CONTINUING BUSINESS & NEW BUSINESS**

* MOD PIZZA update – see Fundraising report
* Domain Renewal – due in May, approximately $36.
* Reading Garden status – Blanca will be our “point person” for future development of the potential project. Per Melinda, it is not a priority for the City at this time.
* Book Sale Shelves - Pam continues stocking the book shelves in the library.
* Chamber luncheon – 2nd Weds. of the month. Next event is to be at the new WWII mini golf location.
* Writers contests – there has been a low response from the community the last several years. No contests are planned.

Next meeting will be held via Zoom on Wednesday, June 2, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Carla Woodworth