**FRIENDS OF THE BUDA PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Board of Directors

Minutes of Meeting—Wednesday, May 1, 2019

Board Members Present: Joan Givens, Blanca Houston, and Jaime Lee

Board Members Absent: Marc Hunter and Allison Teegardin

Others Present: Rosalba Cortez-Concha, Cecilia Cortez, Janice Kearley, Roberta Haas, Rita Powell, Carla Woodworth, Becky Prince, and Melinda Hodges.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Rosalba Cortez-Concha, Vice President.

ACTION ITEMS

1. **Board minutes:** Motions made and carried to accept (corrected) minutes from April 3, 2019 board meeting.
2. **Treasurer’s report:** Treasurer Janice Kearley reviewed report for April. Treasurer’s report through April 2019 is attached to minutes email. Motions were made and carried to accept report for April 2019. Janice also reported that we have a Texas State Sales Tax ID number and card to use for pop-up sales that might occur throughout the year, and the number will be used for sales within the library. She and Melinda Hodges explained that, as a nonprofit, we are only allowed to forego collecting sales tax 1-2 times a year. So, we will save this for the annual book sale event.

LIBRARIAN’S REPORT

Melinda Hodges provided an oral and written report as follows:

Upcoming events:

Toddler Storytime - 10:30 on Mondays and Tuesdays

Monday Mix-Up for students in sixth grade and up will be Mondays at 4:30, generally in

the Makers’ Lab.

Homeschool Storytime – 1:30 on Tuesdays

Family Storytime - 6:00 on Tuesdays

Fiber Friends – Yarn/Crochet/Thread Club for adults; Tuesdays at 6:00 pm in the Teall

Room.

Preschool Storytime - 10:30 on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Buda BLAST (for students in kindergarten through 2nd grade) – 4:00 pm on Wednesdays

Buda Kids (for students in 3rd -5th grades) – 4:00 pm on Thursdays

Sensory Music Time for children with special needs and their families – Saturday, May

4th at 11:00 pm.

Día de los Niños celebrates children, families and reading with a multicultural flair. Join

us as we travel around the world enjoying crafts and stories. Saturday, May 4th from 2:00

pm – 4:00 pm.

Introduction to Dungeons and Dragons – Monday, May 6th at 6:30.

Book Club – Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver, Wednesday, May 8th at 6:00 pm.

Hays County Master Gardeners Class – Stunning Texas Superstars, Saturday, May 18th at

10:30.

The library will be closed on Monday, May 27th .

Summer Reading Kick-off will be Thursday, June 6th from 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm at the

library.

Summer activities

 Mondays 1:30 and 3:00 for students entering 1st – 3rd grades.

 Tuesdays 1:30 and 3:00 for students entering 4th – 6th grades.

 Wednesdays 1:30 for students entering 7th grade and up.

 Many additional family events

PERSONNEL: Connor Marshall has joined the library as a Programming Assistant.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Rita Powell reported that the fundraising “fact sheet” to be used in approaching business donors we plan to approach is almost complete, and she thanked Jaime Lee for her work to bring together the best ideas contributed by members. She also thanked Carla Woodworth for creating an impressive Excel spreadsheet listing area businesses and contact information, and some history of giving, that fundraising committee members will use to organize efforts to meet the $50,000 fundraising goal for 2019.

Rita also said that we have a total of 8 new members for the year (with 30 being the goal). Rita, Joan and Roberta plan to man our table at the Seniors as Volunteers Fair being held at the Onion Creek Senior Center 10 a.m. – Noon on Tuesday, May 21. We hope to gain new members who also want to be active volunteers with Friends.

DISCUSSION TOPICS

1. **Budgets—**In the absence of President Marc Hunter, tabled until June 5 board meeting.
2. **Name the Tree Contest:** Blanca Houston said she will introduce the idea to the City Council at their meeting on Tuesday, May 7. She will have 3 minutes to provide public input. Should the Council decide to consider allowing Friends to sponsor such an effort, they will put us on a future agenda so that a detailed proposal presentation can be made to them, which might or might not be May 21. In anticipation of approval, Blanca is working with Allison Teegardin to develop the presentation, to include a PowerPoint.
3. **Buda Farmers Market:** Allison Teegardin is coordinating our pop-up booksale and membership drive at this event on Sunday, May 19, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Joan Givens, Rita Powell, and Roberta Haas will attend with her. Janice Kearley will contact Allie to coordinate providing change beforehand, and receiving proceeds afterwards in the event that Janice cannot attend.
4. **Membership Management Software:** Wild Apricot software has been purchased. Marc Hunter and Cecilia Cortez are working on inputting data. Website is not yet redesigned. Further discussion was tabled until June 5 board meeting.
5. **Woman’s Day Magazine:** Allison Teegardin was not present to update us, so item was tabled until the June 5 board meeting.
6. **Short Story Contest for Adults:** Rosalba Cortez-Concha provided Marc’s update that he is readying to launch the contest later in May. He is lining up judges and promotionals.
7. **Summer Reading T-Shirts:** Martha Anderson sent an update through Rosalba that the shirts will be ordered from Dizzy Tees at a cost of $4.65. Estimated cost will be $1,627.50. Melinda Hodges will provide the list of sponsors to be printed on the back of the shirts. Rosalba expects to pick up the shirts from Dizzy Tees on June 3 or 4.
8. **Library Commission Meeting**: Will be May 9th. Friends who plan to attend should arrive before 7 p.m. This will give interested Friends a view of what the commission does.

Chamber Luncheon on Wed. May 8, 2019

RSVP to Chamber of Commerce at info@budachamber.com or by phone at (512)295-9999. Luncheon is 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Onion Creek Senior Center. Roberta Haas plans to attend, and Rita Powell will attend if Roberta cannot.

NEW ITEMS

1. **New Member:** Roberta Haas introduced new member Becky Prince, who will be joining the Fundraising Committee. Roberta asked that Becky be added to all email lists so that she is kept well-informed of meetings and activities.
2. **Books and Beer:** Rosalba Cortez-Concha has informed members that the next Books and Beer gathering will be on May 30, 6:30 p.m., at Two Wheel Brewing. The book that will be discussed is El Paso, by Winston Groom, who wrote Forrest Gump.

**Next Friends of the Buda Library Board Meeting** will be on Wednesday, June 5 at 6:30 p.m. in the classroom just outside the library.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.