

BEDFORD LIBRARY FRIENDS MEETING

August 20, 2009

Attendees:

Jim Davisson	Gary Rogers
Patt Dreyer	Karen Kersey
Amanda Green	David Franklin
Barbara Sparks	Susan Spradlin
Linda Jordan	Cynthia Pfladderer
Bonnie Finn	Roland Rangel
Fran Rogers	Holley Hendrickson
Maria Redburn	

Guest: Mary Rhodes

Call to order: 7:00pm

Approval of the Minutes: Motion to approve, Patt Dreyer, seconded by Cynthia Pfladderer, all approved

Treasurer's Report: Motion to approve, Bonnie Finn, seconded by Karen Kersey, all approved.

Old Business:

Scrabble Contest - Maria Redburn introduced Mary Rhodes, associated with a local Scrabble club, Mid Cities Scrabble Chapter, who provided detailed information about how to set up a Scrabble tournament as a fund raiser for the Library. Would be first event of this type in Metroplex according to Ms. Rhodes. Holly will obtain further information from sources provided by Ms. Rhodes and help structure possible future event, ideally with at least 3-month advance notice. It was suggested that a Thursday night be considered, freeing serious Scrabble participants for weekend competitions.

There was also discussion about a calendar of activities and events for Bedford Library Friends, but no action was taken.

Book Sale Report – Motion made by Amanda Green to round off book sale proceeds to \$4,000; seconded by Holly Hendrickson, all approved. Roland Rangel offered special thanks to Maria R. regarding book sale. He also mentioned storage space needed for books, either a storage building or an empty storefront, etc., to store and organize future sales. Also need publicity person to advertise, need to contact local businesses, help in

soliciting books from garage sales, etc, and more organization of help at sale and soliciting help. Much appreciation also to Patt for hard work at the cashier table and to all helpers and volunteers. Holly to help Roland set up a schedule for next year's book sale.

Interim secretaries – Gary and Fran Rogers introduced as interim secretaries, pending elections in October.

Writers' extravaganza update – Amanda reported on number of registrants for Writers' Workshop: 3 fully paid, 3 with deposits paid. Discussion on how to handle out-of-town winters for short story contest. Five authors confirmed for the Round Table, including Sarah Hoyt. Borders will order and bring books for sale at the Round Table. Mariott has offered special hotel rates. Discussion about a budget for the reception and gifts led to a motion of \$25 for each author; motion made by Bonnie Finn, seconded by Gary Rogers, all approved. Further discussion led to a motion of an additional amount of \$200 for the reception; motion made by Amanda Green, seconded by Roland Rangel, all approved.

List passed around for pledges for supplies for all events. Patt to arrange for brunch on Saturday morning, also lunch from Café Sicilia. Amanda to get basic supplies. Patt also suggested that Friends sell tickets to the Authors' Round Table. Further discussion prompted a motion to revise amounts budgeted for gifts and reception and reserve a total of \$500 for all expenses related to the Authors' event, replacing previous motions; motion made by Bonnie Finn, seconded by Linda Jordan, all approved.

New Business:

Operating Fund - After discussion about an emergency fund accessible between meetings, a motion was made by Amanda Green and seconded by Bonnie Finn and approved by all, that an amount up to \$50 could be accessed by Jim or Cynthia between meetings without group approval.

Table cloth – Discussion about table cloth with Bedford Library Friends logo for events; Jim to get information about cost.

Name tags – Jim proposed and the group's discussion agreed that we need name tags. Jim to purchase 20 name tags. Motion to approve by Roland Rangel, seconded by Bonnie Finn, all approved.

Garage Sale – Barbara presented proposal for a Library Garage Sale; she is willing to take responsibility for organization. Public could donate items to be sold to benefit the Library, tables could also be sold to the public for handicrafts or swap or sale tables, to be held at Old Bedford School parking lot or Pennington Field, in April of next year, 17th or 24th. Motion to approve development of project was made by Amanda Green, seconded by Roland Rangel, all approved.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.