

BEDFORD LIBRARY FRIENDS MEETING

January 21, 2010

Attendees:

Jim Davisson	Maria Redburn
Joe Cornwell	Patt Dreyer
Linda Cornwell	Holley Hendrickson
Gary Rogers	Karen Kersey
Fran Rogers	Barbara Sparks
Susan Spradlin	Roland Rangel
Beth Mullens	Les Biggers (guest)
Susan Horn (guest)	Amanda Green

Call to order: 7:00pm

An announcement was made by Jim Davisson that our Treasurer, Cynthia Pfladderer, has tendered her resignation due to a family situation. Jim gave a request for a volunteer to fill the Treasurer's position, hopefully to be accepted by the February meeting.

Approval of the Minutes: A motion to approve the November 2009 minutes was made by Holley Hendrickson and seconded by Amanda Green; all approved.

Treasurer's Report: After review and discussion of the Treasurer's report, a motion was made by Amanda Green to accept the report and seconded by Karen Kersey; all approved.

Old Business:

Mardi Gras Night – Patt Dreyer gave an update for the upcoming Mardi Gras Night on February 16, which is designated by the City Council as a kick off to raise money for the new library. All profits will go to the capital campaign. The City will furnish the library initially and the Foundation will have three years to erase any debt. Holley Hendrickson suggested that a 'Cheers' be sent to the Star Telegram regarding sponsor generosities.

Scrabble Tournament – Susan Spradlin reported that the Hurst Brookside Center will be the site for the Scrabble Tournament. Rental fees for tables plus setup fees for labor, plus fee for use of space will total \$490. The Tournament committee is hoping for donated food and beverages. Susan also reported that non-profit groups such as the Friends must

pay 5% of all proceeds to the City of Hurst. Full payment for the use of the space and a signed contract must be submitted by an authorized individual. Jim Davisson indicated that he would make the arrangements.

Also, Susan noted that when the Paypal account is set up for the Friends, Scrabble Tournament registrants can pay registration fees through that account.

Garage Sale (Bedford Library Friends' Bazaar) – Barbara Sparks reported that good progress is being made and that committee is in the process of mapping spaces for the Bazaar.

Book Sale – Roland Rangel reminded everyone that the Sale needs books to start coming in. Jim Davisson asked about the possibility of Eagle Scouts collecting books for the book sale and discussion was held about this.

Roland inquired about receiving reimbursement for attending the upcoming Library Supporters' Conference. A motion was made by Patt Dreyer to pay for Roland's attendance, the motion was approved by Amanda Green; all approved.

Cookbooks – No current status available due to family illness in two of the committee members' families.

New Business:

Coin Jars – Maria Redburn introduced one of the guests, Les Biggers, who has furnished 100 jars for filling with surplus coins and returning to the Library, the theme being "Turn your small change into big changes". Mr. Biggers had designed a label for the jars as well. Because of the recent theft of the previous coin jar, Mr. Biggers suggested this idea, and all meeting attendees expressed approval and appreciation.

Library Coffee – Maria Redburn mentioned that the Library coffee pot had been broken, and that the Library had been providing four pots daily to Library users. After discussion by the group, Amanda Green moved to start asking for 25cents per cup; the motion was seconded by Roland Rangel, and all approved. In addition, Roland Rangel moved that funds be provided to the Library to obtain a new coffee pot, Amanda Green seconded; all approved.

Discussion then continued concerning vending machines for the new library. It was pointed out that if the Friends took ownership of a vending machine, they would be responsible for filling it; also, there are machines that can be programmed to dispense

specific products such as ear buds. Hope was expressed that vending machines would help the Library staff workload.

Maria Redburn suggested that the Bedford Library Friends send a letter to the City of Bedford requesting that the Bedford Library Friends be allowed to run vending machines in the new library but no motion was made to this effect. Jim Davisson promised to check with various vending machine companies before Friends decide about the request for permission.

Karen Kersey mentioned that the Little Elm Library is holding a Trivia Contest, which Karen may try to attend and suggested that this might be considered as a possible future fund raiser for the Friends.

Maria Redburn reminded everyone about the Seuss Festival on March 7.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm.