

# **BEDFORD LIBRARY FRIENDS MEETING**

**November 18, 2010**

## **Attendees:**

Patt Dreyer	Jim Davisson
David Franklin	Roland Rangel
Claire Kamego	Barbara Sparks
Fran Rogers	Gary Rogers
Maria Redburn	Beth Mullens
Holley Hendrickson	

**Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by President Jim Davisson

**Approval of the Minutes:** A motion was made for suspension of reading of the Minutes for October, 2010, due to their having been sent previously and reviewed by attendees. The motion was made by Roland Rangel, seconded by David Franklin, and all approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Report was presented by Treasurer Beth Mullens. Discussion indicated an amendment was needed for the Planned Allocations section to reflect that the \$5,000 Capital Campaign contribution had already been made. A motion was made by Gary Rogers to approve the Treasurer's Report as amended; motion was seconded by Patt Dreyer, all approved.

## **Old Business:**

**Book Sale Update:** Roland Rangel led discussion about medical books from Harris Hospital. On the negative side: the books are old, may not be salable; on the positive side, Roland indicated he is convinced the books have sale value as specialty items. After much discussion, the books were decided to be of little or no value and the project was dismissed.

**New Library Update:** Maria Redburn reported that finishing is in process: millwork, shelving, etc. A moving bid will be awarded on November 23. There will be a Gala on January 29, 2011, at the new library, combined with a Mardi Gras celebration; tickets will be \$50 each. The library will be open beginning February 5, 2011, for the public, with the Grand Opening scheduled for February 12, 2011. Maria also noted that the Seuss Festival for 2011 will be funded by available opening funds, but Friends should expect a funding request for future years.

**New Bags:** Barbara Sparks showed some of the new bags and everyone indicated enthusiastic approval. Some of these bags will be given out during the Grand Opening; the remainder will be sold as a fundraiser. A motion was made by David Franklin that of the 3,000 bags ordered, 2,000 would be given during the opening, and the remaining 1,000 sold, at approximately \$3.00 as a fundraiser; the motion was seconded by Beth Mullen and all approved.

**Low Vision Extravaganza & Mardi Gras:** Patt Dreyer announced a Low Vision Silent Auction for Saturday, November 20, in the Bonnie Finn Room to raise funds for the Low Vision Equipment for the library. Patt also asked for big items of contribution for the Mardi Gras and Gala event. She is also checking with trainers from the Tarrant Area Food Bank to cater the Gala on January 29. As previously mentioned, the tickets will be \$50 and Patt is hoping for 400 attendees.

**New Business:**

**Library Needs:** Maria Redburn presented the annual list of library needs. As to coffee vending, she suggested that the Friends contract with Cowboy Vending. A motion was made by Roland Rangel to approve the request of \$7,815 for funding of annual items for the library; the motion was seconded by Patt Dreyer and all approved.

**Bedford Library Bazaar:** Barbara Sparks indicated the preferred date would be the second weekend of October, 2011.

**New Fundraisers:** Discussion covered such fundraisers as a Stay-at-Home Auction via a mailer and a letter to previous contributors. No specific actions were planned at this time. Roland Rangel also proposed a tentative date for the next Book Sale as the third weekend in May, 2011. Roland also mentioned that the First Baptist Church had indicated they would be willing to store books.

**Other items of discussion:** Holley Hendrickson led discussion of the wording for the bricks for Jim Davisson and Roland Rangel for their work during the 2010 Book Sale.

The meeting was then adjourned at 9:00pm.