**FRIENDS OF THE BUDA LIBRARY**

Minutes of Board Meeting—Wednesday, July 5, 2023

Board Members Present: Bill Altmann, Jaime Lee, Cheryl Bollish, Zach Teegardin, and Kevin Garraway

Board Members Absent: none

Others Present: Carla Woodworth and Melinda Hodges

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order at 6:33 pm by Bill Altmann, President. The meeting was conducted in person. Zach Teegardin, treasurer, joined us by ZOOM from Houston.

**Board minutes:** Motion made by Kevin and seconded by Jaime to accept minutes from the June 8, 2023 board meeting. All were in favor.

**Treasurer’s report:** Zach Teegardin provided emailed reports. Balance in Money Market is $6,157.60. Balance in Checking account is $11,448.99. Treasurer’s report was accepted.

**LIBRARIAN’S REPORT**

Melinda Hodges, Librarian, presented her monthly report. She was pleased to report that the library had record numbers of book checked out and participants attending programs.

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**BOOKS**: Kevin has moved 14 boxes to the storage unit including CDs and VHS tapes.

We have a total of 167 boxes.

**EVENTS**: Cheryl reported that we volunteered at Astronomy Night on June 30 and Bike Decorating on July 3. Members of the National Junior Honor Society assisted the Friends at these events.

**COMMUNICATION**: Cheryl reported that we need new membership information cards on 1/3 page cardstock and book sale signs. She will check with the Hays CISD print shop and A& E sign shop to get estimates.

**FUNDRAISING:** Motion was made by Cheryl and seconded by Jaime to discontinue the Perks Partner program. Cheryl and Jaime will notify the current partner businesses. Motion was approved. Motion was made to acquire avenue to accept credit payments at book sales. Bill made the motion and seconded by Jaime. Motion was approved. Zach will look into Square as an option.

**CONTINUING BUSINESS & NEW BUSINESS**

Bill will contact the contracted group to clarify what further information they need to accept our application for ARPA funds. He will phone and/or call them.

We need to remove former board members from the bank account and add at least 2 current board members. Zach will contact the bank and let us know the process.

We will ask Mark Hunter to possibly do an in person or ZOOM training for board members.

Next meeting will be held on August 2, 2023 in person at the Buda Library conference room & by ZOOM. Meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cheryl Bollish, Secretary.

**JUNE FINANCIAL REPORT 2023**

**EXPENDITURES**

Donation to Library $

Sweet Nails Plaque $

Tru Lock Storage $

Volunteer Awards $

PO Box Subscription $

Librarian Appreciation Gift $

General Supplies $

Writing Contest Awards $

Sales and Use Tax $

Summer T-Shirt $

Credit Card Process Fee $ 7.62

Petty Cash/Change $

**Total Friends Expenditures** **$ (7.62)**

**INCOME**

New Membership via Library $

New Membership via Website $ 30.00

Membership Renewals $ 25.00

Memberships Gained from Event $

**Total Membership Dollars** **$ 55.00**

**FUNDRAISING/DONATION**

Book Sales via (Library, Buda Farmers Market,

Events) $ 246.75

Merchandise Sales (Library, Events) $ 10.00

Annual Book Sale $

Raffle Ticket Sales $

Donations from Buda Lions.                 $

Donations from Amazon Smile $

Donations from Progressive $

Individual Donations - Wild Apricot $

Member Donations $

Cash Donations $

**Total Fundraising/Donation Dollars** **$ 311.75**

**Total Income Dollars** **$ 304.13**

**Total Money Market $ 6,157.60**

**Total Checking Account $ 11,448.99**

**Total Savings Account $ 25.00**

Librarian’s Report

RECORD-BREAKING MONTH! In June 2023, we had over 3,300 program attendees, our highest monthly program attendance in the history of the library. We also had over 23,000 checkouts, the 2nd highest in the library’s history. It was a busy month!

**Upcoming events:**

All Reading Clubs started on Friday, June 2nd and will go through Saturday, August 5th.

Toddler Storytime: Mondays and Tuesdays (Program Room) at 10:30 am

Teen Club will be on Mondays at 1:30 pm in the Craft Room. This month, their sessions will be tie-dying, anime/manga mixer, zine making, and comic book creations.

Makers’ Lab Classes – Mondays at 6:30 pm (Makers’ Lab)

* July 10 – Laser Cut Design
* July 17 – Needle Felting
* July 24 – Punch Embroidery
* July 31 – Cricut Club

Older Adult Classes – Tuesdays at 12:30 pm

* July 11 – Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body (Classroom); presented by Jody Wills with Alzheimer's Association, Central Texas.
* July 18 – Deep in the Heart of Texas Music (Buda Welcome Center); presented by Aging is Cool
* July 25 – Gentle Yoga for Older Adults (Multipurpose Room); presented by Alli with Chasing Lions.

Summer classes for students from 9-11 years old are on Tuesdays at 1:30 pm and 3:00 pm (Classroom).

Preschool Storytime: Wednesdays and Thursdays (Program Room) at 10:30 am

Summer classes for students from 6-8 years old are on Wednesdays at 1:30 pm and 3:00 pm (Classroom).

Chess Club for all ages; Wednesdays at 6:00 pm (Multipurpose Room or other, as scheduled).

The D&D Campaigns will meet on July 12th and 26th at 6:30 pm (Craft Room and Library Conference Room)

Bilingual Storytime: Thursdays at 1:00 pm for toddlers, preschoolers, and their families (Program Room)

Pokémon TCG group will meet at 1:00 pm on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays (Craft Room)

Family Storytime: Thursdays at 6:00 pm (in the Program Room)

Read to Maeby, the Therapy Dog: Fridays in the Children’s Area at 10:30 am – 11:30 am

Self Care Saturdays – 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 10:30 am.

* July 8 – Neurographic Art with local artist Ronald Gross
* July 22 – The Quick Reset with Alli from Chasing Lions Technical Mentorship Program will meet every other Saturday (July 8th and 22nd) at 11:00 am (Craft Room); through a partnership with Keeping Communities Connected.

Monday, July 3rd – Bike Decorating for Red, White, and Buda at 6:00 pm (Lobby)

Wednesday, July 5th – Buda Bibliophile Book Club at 6:30 pm (Classroom). They will discuss City of Girls by Elizabeth Gilbert.

Monday, July 10th – Skillpoint Alliance Information Session at 1:00 pm (Library Conference Room).

Wednesday, July 12th – Buda Reads Book Club at 4:00 pm (Conference Room). They will discuss About Time by David Rooney.

Thursday, July 13th – 60s Craft Night at 6:00 pm (Multipurpose Room)

Friday, July 14th – Saturday, July 15th: Model Train Display (Craft Room); provided by the Austin TinPlate Trackers.

Saturday, July 15th – Vermi Compost 101 at 10:30 am (Classroom); in partnership with the Hays County Master Gardeners.

Wednesday, July 19th – Adult Art with IMAC at 6:00 pm (Craft Room).

Thursday, July 20th - Love Languages in Mental Health at 6:30 pm (Classroom); presented by Rebecca Farrell, PhD, LPCC-S (KY).

Saturday, July 22nd: Last Chance Forever: Birds of Prey (Multipurpose Room)

Wednesday, July 26th – Art and Mental Wellness at 6:30 pm (Craft Room); taught by Kelly Bonsall.

Thursday, July 27th: Game Night and Puzzle Swap at 5:00 to 7:30 pm (location to be determined)

Thursday, June 29th – Friends of the Buda Library Book Club at 7:00 pm (Water 2 Wine). They will discuss Olga Dies Dreaming by Zochitl Gonzalez.

Saturday, August 5th: Summer Reading Celebration at 2:00 pm; special performance by Amber Bleu Music at 3:00 pm (Multipurpose Room).