FRIENDS OF THE HUGHSON LIBRARY

November 5, 2015

President Joan House called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. Those present: our librarian, Heather Bailey, Linda Berck, Joan House, Jean Henley, Shelley Tucker, Margaret Rodgers, Rebekah Maraccini, VickiFontana, and Sonia Brizuela, a guest.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Linda Berck, Secretary, read the minutes of September 3, 2015. They were approved as corrected.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Viki reported for June through October. In June, July and August we had \$48.10 from self-serve, and we spent \$100.00 for the back to school backpack program. The ending balance was \$4,405.48. In September and October self-serve was \$206.80. The cost of Library supplies was \$493.64. Our balance as of October 31, 2015 is \$4,405.48 including our cash box of \$25.00 and \$500.00 for office supplies. Vicki says that she has to report the last two years for the States Charitable Trust Report. The IRS gave us a waiver. Vicki is prepared to get us all up to date. We are greatful for all she has done to get our non-profit status settled.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT: Heather wanted to thank the Friends group for providing all of the supplies for the crafting projects. She appreciates having the Dollar Store close by and we give her an ample enough allowance to offer lots of craft projects that are becoming popular with the children and teens. She now has crafts on every Tuesday and Rebekah helps out. There was lots of participation in the "Book in a Jar" contest with 71 guesses. Guessing the Pumpkin weight got lots of guesses too. It was mentioned that the children check out books when they come in to do crafts.

OLD BUSINESS: Although our self serve provides us funding, Margaret said that we need to find ways to make ourselves recognized in the community, like getting a booth at events. Linda said that we are still providing books in the clinic with our "stamp" on them. Shelly thanked Linda for helping out at the Spelling Bee at the school.

NEW BUSINESS: Margaret suggested putting books in the Christmas Basket Program this year. Everyone agreed it to be a great idea and decided to concentrate on children under 5. We decided to search for books at Dollar Stores and bring them to Margarets house. Margaret will check to see approximately how many we will need. We will have to put them in the baskets individually depending on the number of young children in the home. It was voted and approved to set aside \$300.00 for this endeavor plus we will be donating an additional \$100.00 for the Christmas Basket Program itself.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Berck, Secretary

NEXT MEETING: Thursday Jan. 7, 2016 at 5PM at the Library