

FRIENDS OF THE PATTERSON LIBRARY MINUTES
January 10, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President, Susan Guest, in the library conference room at 1:00 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Trudy deGroot, Gay Girard, Susan Guest, Barbara Hartsell, Sue Henderson, Donald Hess, Marci Homer, Judy Mullins, Amparo Navarro, Burt Smith and Xia Thao

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS: No new introductions.

MINUTES: The minutes of the November 8, 2021 meeting were read and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer, Sue Henderson, reported that the balance as of November 8, 2021 was \$6423.62. After a deposit from the book carousel of \$42.68, the current balance as of today, January 10, 2022, is \$6,466.30, plus we have \$80 in the cash box. Annual dues are due today.

Book Sale Report: There was discussion about when to have the next book sale. We had thought about having a short book sale in February, but decided to wait till our normal sale time in April. So the next book sale will be April 27, 28 & 29 with set up at 2:00 PM on April 26.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT: Xia said that the library is giving out Covid test kits but they are all gone right now. They are supposed to get more in. Xia said the library has been using a Canva design program for making flyers, etc. She said she had planned to ask the "Friends" to buy the Canva Pro program but found out that 501c3 organizations (which we are) may obtain Canva Pro for free. Xia will get with Judy to obtain our 501c3 identification number so she can order the Canva Pro.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Nothing to report, however, there was discussion again about having the February meeting as a potluck at Susan's house. Since the Omicron variant is still prevalent, it was decided to postpone the potluck till our March meeting and possibly having it at the library in the conference room instead of at Susan's house.

Old Business: No old business.

NEW BUSINESS: Xia said the library has begun a partnership with the Patterson Garden Club to set up a community garden in the outside area of the library. She said Rachel Dyer, president of the Garden Club, will get a soil sample of the area to determine if it is conducive for a garden. Donald Hess said the county gives out free compost and Sue Henderson said she has a lot of compost for free to anyone who wants to come and get it.

P.R.I.D.E. Scholarships: There was discussion regarding annual scholarships but was decided that we will readdress this at a later date since the scholarships aren't awarded till May.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 PM to prepare annual membership envelopes for mailing, including a copy of the Friends of the Library achievements for 2021. Next meeting will be February 14, 2021 at 1:00 PM in the library conference room.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Mullins, Secretary