

**Friends of Boyden Library**  
**Minutes of May Meeting**  
**May 4, 2022**

**Present:** Janice Rosado, Bernadette Thie, Sue Collins Charles DiPompo, Jen Ooi, Lesleyann Foster, Margi Rossetti, Betsy Buckland, Don Jenkins, Director Libby O'Neill, Senior Youth Services Librarian Jessica Henderson, Trustee Collin Earnst

Janice Rosado called the meeting to order. Two cards were passed around to sign; one for Sara who had a beautiful baby boy. Sympathy card for Kevin Penders whose father passed on.

**Minutes of April 6, 2022:** Sue Collins presented the Minutes.

Bernadette made a motion to accept the Minutes; seconded by Margi. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Bernadette presented the Treasurer's Monthly Report for April 2022:

- Quiet month
- Miss You letters did well so there was a big bump in memberships
- Expenditures were for adult & children's programs
- Discussion about large amount of money in account. We will wait for Libby's ideas for programming

Janice made a motion to accept the Report; seconded by Charles. Motion passed.

**Report from Library Director: Libby O'Neill**

- Had a Meet & Greet, will have 2 more at different times; 1 at COA
- Has established a staff run Boyden Library Book Club to be held on the last Tuesday of each month with sessions in
- morning & night, will work with Nancy Morrison's group
- Went to Council on Aging for a Book Club meeting
- Put out a survey online about programming for cooking, travel, history, book clubs or more
- Adult Summer Reading Program with a Bingo Card. Participants will enter a raffle sponsored by Friends and/or businesses
- Working on Library of Things
- Would like to participate in the Friends booth at Founders Day

**Report from Senior Youth Services Librarian: Jessica Henderson**

- The library will publicize the Founders Day doll carriage/ wagon parade
- Asked for plastic bags or our Foxboro bags for \$1
- Kindergarten visits started up again which includes library card applications
- Toys in Children's Dept are popular
- Great programs during April vacation, but not quite as popular as February's programs
- Coloring sheets continue to be popular
- Animal Adventures with Dad on Saturday before Father's Day
- Story Times continue to be popular. Many people from surrounding towns are coming

### **Trustee Report: Collin Earnst**

- Elections for Library Trustee– Christine Igo Freeman re-elected & Jen Ooi elected
- Supporting Libby in her new position
- Speaker Series will be in the Fall

### **Membership: Sara Halton** unable to attend, **Bernadette** gave report

- 26 memberships; 24 were renewals

### **Newsletter: Jen Ooi**

- Graphics were a bit of a problem but they turned out well as did photos
- Constant Contact open rate was about 50% which is good
- Will get Newsletter out on our website & Facebook

### **Book Shop: Margi Rossetti**

- Merriam-Webster Unabridged Dictionary donated for Adam to sell
- More Than Words took 22 boxes of books recently
- Large donation of beautiful art books
- We have a lot of bundled books
- Category labels on sticks are ready
- Need boxes for donations to agencies & More Than Words
- For House of Corrections: box 4 boxes now & then he can take 4

### **Book Sale/Book Donation: Lesleyann Foster**

- Book Sale is May 19-21
- Dave & Charles will distribute lawn signs
- Betsy has been helping a lot & will be responsible during the sale if Lesleyann not available
- Bookmarks are gone, should publicize on social media soon; email Jen L to get the word out for social media
- Wants to have a map of the different areas of sale
- Consider Ads on Facebook/Instagram, plus you get demographics of who is using it
- Pretty good coverage for shifts

### **Old Business:**

- **Founders Day** – sell children's books, promote Summer Reading Program, free lollipops & temporary tattoos

### **New Business:**

1. **Library Beautification:** Don & his wife, Marcia, are interested in working with his wife. Staff members Vicki & Kim are also interested. Trustees & Garden Club donated some money. Libby wants 2 planters by front doors if feasible

**Action Items:**

1. Lesleyann will contact Jen L to publicize Book Sale on social media
2. Don will get an estimate for planters.

**Adjourn:** Sue made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Bernadette Motion passed.

**Next meeting:** June 1, 2022

**Meeting at 7:00 pm in Community Meeting Room**

Respectfully submitted: Sue Collins