

Friends of the Lakes Regional Library Membership Meeting
Friday, April 10, 2015

President Jane Ann Kennedy called the April meeting to order at 11:30 AM

Welcome New Members and members attending for the first time

Minutes of the last meeting -Marge Ford

The minutes of the March meeting were read and approved.

President's Report - Jane Ann Kennedy

Jane Ann mentioned how enjoyable the SWFL Reading Festival was, and that she was happy to see members of our group and the library staff in attendance.

Treasurer's Report - Len Ahlfeld

As of March 31, 2015 the Administrative Account Balance is \$3132.59. The Gift Fund balance is \$15,642.11. The total available funds are \$18,774.70.

In response to a question from a member, Len gave an explanation of the Gift Account.

Library Report - Jill Horrom

Jill talked about the physical changes that have taken place in the library and that they have been well accepted. Because of our floating collection, DVD's have increased this year by 29%. Other collections will begin floating soon. The adult print fiction (non NMS items) will begin floating on April 29, 2015. The adult non-fiction (non NMS items) will start in early July and the adult print fiction, non-fiction and large type print will start in the fall.

In response to an audience question Jill explained what it meant for our collections to be floating.

Jill also talked about changes in the summer reading program. Children will be reading for time and the increments of time will allow them to buy meals for the animals at CROW. The Friends group will be providing for "prize" books.

Anyone signing up to read will be given one of the "prize" books.

The library is in the process of interviewing for two staff positions.

Nook Arrangements - Anita Jenkins

Anita reports that the Nook is about 80% stocked, but we continue to need more donations.

Display Case - Lucy Breitung (absent)

Jane Ann mentioned this month's display is about baseball.

Focus - Len Ahlfeld

The last Focus will be in June. There is no Focus in July or August.

Lunch - Flo Morris

Flo spoke with the manager at Jason's Deli about small things missing from last month's lunches and was assured that they would be checked carefully this month.

Membership - Pat Davidson

Pat reported 188 memberships, 16 of which are lifetime members.

Program - Cindy Ahrens

Cindy announced the Arnolds, Peace Corp volunteers in the Ukraine, would be today's presenters and in May the presenter would be Jerry Greenfield. Cindy continues to work on programing for next year. She shared a few highlights of what has to come in the future.

Publicity - Ginny Testa (absent)

Volunteers - Jane Ann Kennedy

Some of our volunteers are leaving to go back home, so Jane Ann is redoing the schedule for summer.

Website- Anita Jenkins

Report given by Cindy Ahrens: Meeting minutes, program schedule, and the Focus have been posted. We have six “likes” on our Facebook page and we are encouraged to continue visiting the page.

Unfinished Business

Rusty Brown thanked the Friends for their support of her programs over the years.

New Business

None

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 PM.

Next Meeting - May 8, 2015

Respectfully submitted

Marge Ford

For Carla Webb