



General Membership Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2019

President Jane Ann Kennedy called the first meeting of the season to order at 11:46 A.M. There were 18 members present and 1 new member. Jane Ann welcomed everyone and expressed her excitement for being back as well. The following business was conducted:

Secretary's Report: Minutes from the May meeting were approved as read.

President's Report: Jane Ann thanked everyone for their kindness, good wishes and cards and notes during her recuperation.

Treasurer's Report: Len Ahlfeld's report was a 3 month one. He reported a balance, as of June 3, 2019, of \$44,957.90. A detailed accounting of income and expenditures, including \$14,280 for new tables and the SRP, was explained. As of September 3, 2019, the balance is \$34,873.30.

The books need to be audited to be in compliance. Jane Ann asked for a volunteer with bookkeeping experience to audit the books. Any member interested should contact her directly.

The question was posed as to why Friends purchased the tables since many organizations use them. Jane Ann explained it was Friends donation to the library.

Library Report: Carrie introduced herself to the new member and guests. She then reported the following:

Staffing: Liz Gresham has transferred from East County to Lakes as our Reference Associate. She replaces Matthew and joined us on August 29th.

Elizabeth McLaughlin was promoted from Library Assistant to Reference Librarian, replacing Macaire. She started on August 15th.

Sabra O'Kelly joined us on July 18th as a part-time page, replacing Cynthia.

Interviews for Elizabeth's vacant position have taken place. An estimated start time will be in the new fiscal year, October.

Collections: Lakes YTD (January - August) circulation is 648,063. June circulation was 73,250, July - 73,332, August - 70,016.

Cardholders number 45,426, with 449 new cards issued in August.

Facility: No report at this time on renovations.

Programs: Youth Summer Reading Program was a huge success.

Requests: A request for \$6,000 to fund Children, Teens and Adult programming for the new fiscal year, 2019-2020, has been made. Carrie thanked the Friends for their generous monetary gift to purchase the new, easy-to-move tables.

Other: Carrie highlighted some upcoming LCLS events:

- The Grand Opening Celebration of NFM was held on September 7th. The Grand Opening celebration for Bonita Springs will be September 14th.
- Lee County United Way fund raising campaign is underway. Staff is able to wear jeans and t-shirts by donating \$1. Themed tees such as Star Wars, Harry Potter, book themes/characters, and sports teams will be seen.
- Read Between the Wines will be held Tuesday, November 5th.

Fandom Fest will be held Saturday, December 7th.

Committee Reports:

Nook arrangements: Anita reported that things in the Nook are going swimmingly! She explained that the Nook spinner rack (paperbacks) is under repair. It is solid and NO threat of tipping and causing injury to patrons. She then informed the membership of the upcoming Flash Media Sale. A one day only, low, low price event for all media: audio books, DVDs and CDs. The event will be held on Saturday, November 2. She requested movers for Friday, November 1 and cashiers for the day of the sale.

Display Case: Lucy was absent. No report given.

Lunch: Marge happily reported the lunches had arrived!

Membership: Jeanette was absent but digitally reported that we currently have 220 members: 24 lifetime, 196 regular members. 17 members have not renewed.

Program: Cindy was absent. She will return September 18. Our October presenter will be Connie Hope, author of a Tea Room mystery series.

Publicity: Ginny was absent, but she continues to contact her sources for all of our events.

Volunteers: Jane Ann announced she will be taking back the volunteer chair position.

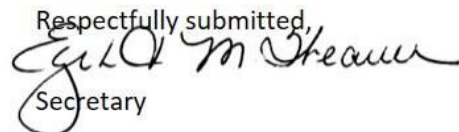
Website: Mary was absent. No report given. It was noted, however, that the small glitch with the LCLS link is now corrected.

Old Business: There was none.

New Business: There was none.

Next meeting is scheduled for October 11, 2019 at 11:45 A.M.

The meeting closed at 12:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary