



General Membership Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2018

President Jane Ann Kennedy called the meeting to order at 11:45 A.M. There were 22 members, no new members and no guests in attendance. The following business was conducted:

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

President's Report: Jane Ann announced *The Great American Read* scheduled to begin May 22nd on WGCU where they will host a local poll to find out Southwest Florida's favorite book. Check out the website for further information.

Jane Ann wished all members a happy summer since this is the last meeting of the year. The next meeting is slated for September 14th.

Treasurer's Report: Len Ahlfeld reported a balance, as of April 30, 2018, of \$42,960.05. Len informed the membership of the cost of renewal of the website name and of the monetary gift to the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC). The report was accepted and filed for audit.

Library Report: Carrie reported the following:

Staffing: Samantha Burkett started on April 26th. She replaces Kevin French as a Library Assistant. Samantha has previous LCLS experience at Riverdale, as both a Page and Library Assistant. Phone interviews are scheduled for the FT Page position. In-person interviews will take place later this month.

Collection: Circulation in April was 76,423. YTD circulation is 353,993. New library cards in April number 330 with a total of library cardholders at 45,969. Inventory has begun; it runs from May through December.

Building and computers: Plans for building improvement are scheduled to go in front of the BOCC. Public computers have all been updated to Windows 10. New coin boxes have been installed at public printers.

Programming: Summer reading is almost here! Programs for all ages begin on May 29th. She reminded all members to pick up their BINGO card on May 29th to participate in the Adult Summer Reading Program. Carrie thanked FOL for purchasing supplies for the *Reading Rocks* summer program.

Committee Reports:

Nook arrangements: Anita predicted a great January sale since donations are flooding in.

Display Case: Lucy was absent. No report given, but Jane Ann reported that the May display on basketball/Michael Jordan is up and that the June display will be highlighting the summer reading program.

Focus: Len asked for all articles and information to be sent to him by May 18. He apologized for the errors in this month's Focus. There was a miscommunication with the printer which resulted in mistakes in the publication. Len reminded us June's will be the last Focus until the fall.

Membership: Jeanette reported 47 members did not renew. We currently have 237 full-time members, including 22 Life Memberships. 64 members are seasonal. She will be switching over to northern addresses of seasonal members this month. Jeanette apologized for the lateness of the meeting/luncheon reminder. She was experiencing technical difficulties which also caused her BCCs to default to CCs. She apologized for that occurrence.

Program: Cindy reported on the state of the author schedule for next season. She is filling in slots and it appears to be another banner year. The list of fabulous authors includes the author Irma scared away this past September! She reminded us of Robert Macomber's coming in January 2019. His presentation will be "Getting into Character"; how does he get into the minds and hearts of the characters he creates?

Publicity: Ginny was absent. No report given.

Volunteers: Jane Ann stated everything is running smoothly.

Website: Mary was absent. No report given, but Cindy did have some numbers at her finger tips. The website has had 14 page visits from May 4th through the 10th. Our FB page has 74 Likes.

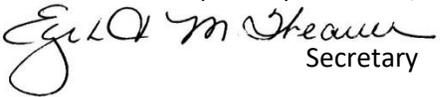
Old Business: Lucy was absent. No report given. The canvas bags have been put on hold for now. Jane Ann surveyed the membership present to see how much each was willing to pay for a canvas bag. 12 voted they would pay \$3; 16 voted they would pay as high as \$5. Members were in favor of keeping the quality up and the price down. This information will be discussed at the Board meeting in June.

New Business: There was none.

See you in September!

The meeting adjourned at 12:11 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

 E. L. M. Stearn
Secretary