

FRIENDS OF THE SUN CITY LIBRARIES, INC

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

March 10, 2022 – 10a.m. – via Zoom

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Sue Blechl, Glen Brown, Marcia Davis, Tom Everitt, Kat Fimmel, Roberta Hawksworth, Brianna King, Diane (“D”) Lathrop Irene Nathanson, Jennie O’Leary, Ruth Polansky, Jessica Potter Slider, Joyce Voss, Cathy Weyers

ABSENT: None

MINUTES: Ruth moved that the **February 2022 minutes be approved as sent and Jennie seconded the motion. The motion past.**

TREASURER: Monthly report was verbally presented. **Motion to accept the report as presented was made by Cathy and seconded by Roberta.** Next, Jessica explained the board’s use of professional services by Monica Stern CPA, LLPC. She does our e-filing of certain forms that we do not have the resources to do. We have used her services for 6 years and her rates are competitive. **Jessica Moved that for 2022 we retain the accounting and tax services of Monica Stern CPA, LLPC. Ruth seconded the motion, which past.**

PUBLICITY: Roberta has sent ad for the March sales and for the Super Store Blast to the Sun City Independent. The Super Store Blast will run from March 21 to April 15 and all items will be 50% off. The ad will run for 3 consecutive weeks. Ad information will be put on Facebook by Jennie and be the focus of Irene’s single News Flash that will cover both March and April. Irene and Marcia shared the difficulty with sending the last News Flash. It was sent in 8 groupings of individuals because of what seemed like a “thunderstorm in the cloud.”

This was Roberta’s last meeting as a member of the board. After her temporary leave of absence she will continue to volunteer at the bookstore.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH: Jennie reported that the Bell Spring Festival was cancelled. Some of the clubs had difficulty getting volunteers to cover the tables.

This event is normally held every two years. As to the upcoming SCHOA gathering, our organization will not be participating because of the Covid masking policy.

FINANCE: Jessica reported that the Finance Committee has an in-person meeting scheduled at the Bell Center Library for Friday, May 13, from 9-12. Marcia will not be attending. Jessica said members of the Board, if interested, are welcomed to attend and hear about portfolio updates, trends, etc.

BOARD DEVELOPMENT: Cathy reported that she and Sue had met with D, our newest board member, for her orientation.

EVENT/VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR: No events for the volunteers are currently being planned. It was proposed that a fall luncheon or dinner be planned for October. Ruth will see to arrangements. Tee Shirts have been ordered but they have not arrived as yet.

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BOOKSTORE: Cathy extended a big Thank You to Tom for his help with the 2000 book donation project. Additionally D, Pam and Pam's husband were involved in the moving of books. Although much of the donation is now at the library, the job is not yet complete. A temporary pause was requested by the donor. A large collection of beautiful train books was among the incoming volumes and have already been put out for sale. Several new volunteers are being trained and some volunteers are leaving for the summer.

MCLD REPRESENTATIVE: Brianna announced that in person programming is being scheduled for both Sun City branches. Audiences still need to be small. Virtual programs will continue. Brianna has accepted a position at the Tempe History Museum. Her Bell Library position has posted. Glen will temporarily supervise both libraries.

Glen has submitted a proposal for a 3-D Printer. He showed members some items that have been made by this remarkable machine. The Board will vote on the proposal in April. Meanwhile Sue will forward his written proposal to the members. Also, if any members have questions, please feel free to contact Glen.

RCSC REPRESENTATIVE: Kat inquired about the Fairview Library lighting question discussed at previous meetings. Brianna responded that other contractors are being contacted about the work.

WRITER-in-CHIEF: Tom had no report.

WEB and GRAPHICS MASTER: Marcia had no report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: New thinking has been presented concerning the bookstore plaque for Mary Ann Mc Donald. Something more artistic is desired. A committee of Sue, Jennie and Ruth was formed to pursue the matter.

A better sign for the bookstore door is wanted. Ruth will talk to Moore Graphics about this.

Board member recruitment was discussed. Emphasis was placed on one-on-one contact. No specific final action was determined.

Because the meeting room at the library was already booked for April 14, the board's meeting date, that April Board meeting will be on Zoom.

NEW BUSINESS: Recently Maricopa County lifted mask restrictions. The library system has followed suit and are no longer requiring customers or staff to wear masks. The Board had a lengthy discussion on what action to take for the bookstore volunteers. Finally, the following motion was made:

Whereas we respect Maricopa County's decision to drop the mask mandate, because of the book store's small area, we strongly encourage volunteers and members of the public, when in the bookstore, to wear a mask.

Ruth so moved and Jennie seconded it. **Motion passed.**

Because of the time, the remainder of New Business will be deferred until April.

Motion to adjourn was made by Ruth and Jessica seconded. Motion passed.

Our **next meeting is April 14, 2022** at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom.

ADJOURNMENT: 11:49 a.m.

Joyce Voss

Secretary, FOSCL Board