

FRIENDS OF THE SUN CITY LIBRARIES, INC

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

March 9, 2023 – 10 a.m. – on zoom

PRESENT: Sue Blechl, Glen Brown, Tome Everitt, Maria Lafayette, Irene Nathanson, Jennie O’Leary, Ruth Polansky, Sherri Sharp, Jessica Potter Slider, Jean Totten Joyce Voss, Cathy Weyers

Call to Order: 10:06 a.m.

The order of business as listed on the agenda was altered to accommodate parties that had to leave early.

EVENT/VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR: Ruth shared plans for the Volunteer Dinner on March 15, 2023. To date, there are 44 attending, and they will be seated at five tables. Board members are asked to come between 4:00 and 4:15 p.m. Jennie was asked to take charge of the photo booth. As a group of board members, we will greet the Volunteers. Jan Sandwich’s presentation is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. A promotional flyer encouraging membership on the Board will be created using facts about the Friends and a word game. Although Glen can not attend, several library staff will represent him.

BOOKSTORE: Sue thanked Cathy for stepping up to be the manager of the bookstore after the resignation of Pam Danneman. The new volunteer email system, Book Notes, that was recently set up, worked **perfectly** in notifying volunteers about this personnel change in the bookstore. The special sale for April will be “Orange Dot “Specials, hardcover vintage gems for twenty-five cents. Cathy reported that A to Z books sent a check for \$347.00. A to Z is an online sales customer.

Sue stated that the Bookstore Summit group would be meeting again soon.

A question arose concerning bookstore advertising. Joyce responded that she and Roberta Hawksworth will meet with two staff members of the “Sun City Independent” newspaper next Monday, to discuss future ads. Additionally,

Roberta will again be responsible for the bulletin board outside the library. Irene and Joyce will work with Roberta on publicity.

Jessica commented that a check for \$347.00 was recently received from A to Z, an online customer of the bookstore.

MINUTES: Jessica moved for the approval of the February 2023 minutes as sent. Jennie seconded it. **Motion passed.**

TREASURER: Jessica reported a \$2560 bookstore profit for February, making total income for the first two months of the year, \$3757. Each of the two Sun City libraries received gifts of \$1000 apiece. Monies covered the cost of a partition and several programs in 2023. Joyce moved to **accept the February Treasurer's Report.** Irene seconded the motion. **Motion passed.**

COMMUNITY OUTREACH: Nothing to report, but Jennie is keeping an eye on the calendar for the next SHOA event.

FINANCE: Nothing to report

BOARD DEVELOPMENT: Dee was absent. Irene suggested that board recruitment might have a place at the upcoming Volunteer Dinner. A word game/ fact sheet will be produced.

MCLD REPRESENTATIVE: Glen noted that the bookstore specials were in the Maricopa County Libraries Blast. Bottle-filler water fountain was again discussed. Friends would provide the initial purchase cost and RSCS would be responsible for upkeep and repair. The cost is \$1225. Cathy moved to **approve the purchase of the bottle-filler water fountain and** Joyce seconded. **Motion passed.** There will be some designation near the fountain that it is a gift of the FOSCL. No update yet on a new supervisor for Fairway.

RCSC REPRESENTATIVE: Jean invited interested parties to attend the exchange monthly meeting of RSCS, at which the public is encouraged to speak. The recent resignations from the RSCS were mentioned. RSCS members are invited to apply for membership on the RSCS Board. Focus Groups will be held at the end of March based on the recent RSCS survey. An email was recently sent with details. Sue said she would forward that email to Board members who do not live in Sun City. Jean shared her email - jtotten@suncityaz.org.

WRITER-IN-CHIEF: Tom has a clean list of active volunteer emails if it is needed. He had nothing further to report.

WEB and GRAPHICS MASTER: Cindy will continue to update our web page. She will be attending the upcoming Volunteer Dinner and to take pictures for posting. Sue will also send Cindy our new 2023 goals and other updates for the website. Several members hoped that our dinner might be featured in the Independent.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. To supply the \$30,000 for the purchase of Amazon-like lockers proposed by the Maricopa County Library was discussed. Location, safety, increase or decrease in library traffic, personal technology knowledge, looking to the future, younger residents moving to Sun City, and a needs assessment were discussed. This proposal will be an action agenda item for the April 2023 meeting. A link will be sent to members with more information on locker use by other agencies.
2. A report from the Homebound Committee was presented by Irene. After two meetings the group has decided to focus on two projects: a Read to Me program at Woodmark, and a possible service to Mary's Place, one of Benevilla locations. A second tour of this facility will take place soon to determine the exact nature of what we can offer.
3. Joyce moved that our **2023 goals as listed and sent to the members be accepted** and Maria seconded. **Motion passed.**

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: Jennie **moved that the meeting be adjourned** and Jessica seconded. **Motion passed.** Adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

Our next meeting is on April 13, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. on Zoom.

Joyce Voss, Secretary