

FRIENDS OF THE SUN CITY LIBRARIES, INC

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

August 11, 2022 – 10 a.m. – on zoom

The meeting was called to order at 10:07 a.m.

PRESENT: Sue Blechl, Glen Brown, Cindy Daley, Tom Everitt, Kat Fimmel, Diane (“D”) Lathrop, Irene Nathanson, Jennie O’Leary, Jessica Potter Slider, Joyce Voss, Cathy Weyers

ABSENT: Ruth Polansky

MINUTES: A July minutes correction was made concerning the new online sales project for the bookstore. Instead of “there are no shipping fees and our return is 50%,” the line should read **“...after expenses, our return is 50%.”**

Cathy moved that the July 2022 minutes be approved as corrected and Cindy seconded the motion. The motion passed.

TREASURER: New lines now appear on the monthly report: Online Sales and Online Office Expenses. Overall, our category amounts for the year are running close to last year.

Motion to accept the report as presented was made by Joyce and seconded by Jennie. The motion passed.

PUBLICITY: Irene reported that the August News Flash has been sent and there were no glitches.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH: Jennie had nothing new to report. Sue asked Glen if there was a staff member appointed as the Outreach staff for the Sun City Libraries. We learned no specific person is so designated but the outreach work can be done by other staff, and most often by Glen. Glen added that advance notice on outreach assignments for the Sun City Libraries staff is most important.

FINANCE: There was nothing to report from the Friends Finance Committee. Jessica reminded us of the upcoming committee meeting on Friday, October 28th from 9 to 12 at the Sun City Branch

BOARD DEVELOPMENT: Cathy had no report. Jessica complimented Cathy on the creation of the new Reimbursement form and its usefulness.

EVENT/VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR: In Ruth's absence, Sue asked the Board if we should stay with our reserved time at Palmbrook Country Club for Wednesday, Oct 19, 2022, volunteer luncheon. We will, but will review the decision again next month. Tom suggested that we informally ask volunteers in the next newsletter if they are interested in attending October's volunteer luncheon, given the health situation. They could respond to Ruth. Tom will include it in the newsletter.

BOOKSTORE: Cathy was very happy to report that the Online Sales have begun. She gives a lot of credit to volunteer Mary Fischer-McKee for its smooth operation. Mary's expertise in this kind of project has paid off. Pam, Cindy, and Cathy are other members of this Online Sales team. We also learned that the prison has put a hold on accepting books for perhaps a year.

MCLD REPRESENTATIVE: An offer has been made by the County to an individual for the Supervisor of the Fairway Branch position. If all works out, that individual will be introduced to the Board at the September 2022 meeting. Cindy asked Glen to send her fall program information for our website. Glen also mentioned that the new libraries in Goodyear and El Mirage were now open.

RCSC REPRESENTATIVE: Kat had nothing to report. Cathy asked Kat if she could arrange for the bookstore to receive all needed information about reporting an incident in the store. Kat will follow through.

WRITER-IN-CHIEF: Tom had no report.

WEB and GRAPHICS MASTER: Cindy reported that she was keeping up with postings, will be looking at the web page graphics, and the Board Members Only section has a new form. The number of monthly page visits is up slightly. She also asked Board members for any suggestions for the site.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Concerning our Sun Views column, Sue is soon to have a meeting with Joelyn Dinnella Higgins, Communication and Marketing Coordinator of Sun Views. They will have a discussion about our options for the column.

The McDonald memorial is still in the works.

The idea of a Homebound Delivery Service was suggested to take the place of a Book Buddy program formerly run by the Board. Discussion followed. The need for a chairperson was emphasized if we were to pursue. Before any action is taken, Glen will survey his staff to see what kind and how many requests for this type of service have been made. Homebound Delivery will be reviewed next month.

NEW BUSINESS:

Cathy announced that she is resigning as the **Board Development chairman**. Jessica thanked her for her service.

There is a need for a new chair and for a slate of officers to be presented in February 2023. Discussion followed. We were asked to give “**term limits**” some thought. Joyce volunteered to chair a committee of herself, Cindy, D, Irene, Ruth, and Jennie to make recommendations. Report from this group to be made in September.

Purchase of small magnifiers for the library and Friends to use as giveaways was brought up. Sue will check the prices and report in September.

Cindy moved that the August meeting be adjourned. Joyce seconded. It was passed.

Adjournment: at 11:40 a.m.

Our next meeting is on September 8, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. on Zoom

Joyce Voss, Secretary