

SSF Friends of the Library Quarterly Meeting Minutes, January 12, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President Eleanor Breite at 6 PM. Attending were: Valerie Lambertson, Mary Guisti, Nicole Cuadra, Valerie Sommer, Pat FitzPatrick, Gail Davison, Jean Graham, Jeanette Acosta, Betty Battaglia, Diane Huddleston, Tony Estrada, Kristy Camacho, Gracia Maria Trejo, Rebecca Johnson and Adam Elsholz.

Election of Officers

There were no additions to the October nominations of: President, Eleanor Breite; Treasurer, Gail Davison; and Secretary, Pat FitzPatrick. It was moved, seconded and unanimously approved to elect them. The president then appointed Members-at-large Valerie Lambertson and Jean Graham.

Treasurer's Report

The 2015 fourth quarter Checking Account beginning balance was \$14,198.86 and the ending is \$49,617.76 (including \$35,000 to be transferred to Grand Ave. renovation). Savings Account beginning balance was \$15,279.19 and the ending balance is \$17,880.70.

President's Report

The annual FOL audit committee will be Gail Davison, Valerie Lambertson, and Jean Graham. The book sale will be May 14.

Library Director Report (given by Adam Elsholz, Interim Library Director)

An assistant city manager has been hired so Valerie will be back in late February. Measure W plans are moving forward. In the 2014-2015 year, library visits topped 500,000 for the first time. The Strategic Library Plan will go to Council in February after review by the Library Board. Library Assistant Wesley Tanji will be leaving on January 21. Current library programming is giving patrons a reason to visit the library besides checking out material. Limited IRS forms and instructions will be available this year.

Library Requests

Nicole Cuadra (FOL Liaison) requested \$750 for Library Volunteer Week and \$500 for Employee Recognition. Rebecca Johnson (Grand Avenue Branch Manager) requested funds to help furnish the new kitchen at Grand Avenue Library. Funds not to exceed \$2000 for a refrigerator, a microwave oven, coffee maker and dishes and utensils. (Member Kristy Camacho will look for discount pricing for these kitchen items.) All requests were approved by attending membership.

The other ongoing requests for funds remain the same (Standing request for \$1000 for books on CD and E-Books will be paid by FOL as well as the quarterly \$500 deposit into Savings for the Proposed New Library). The requests were approved. Rebecca Johnson, Grand Avenue Branch Library manager requested support for Grand Avenue's kitchen replacement not to exceed \$2000.00. A refrigerator, microwave, coffee maker, dishes and utensils are needed. This request was also approved. Kristy Camacho will look for discounts.

Seed Funding for Library Foundation

Diane Huddleston, SSF Public Library Foundation Secretary gave a short description of the new foundation. It will be the fund raising arm for a new library. The SSF Public Library Foundation officers, besides Diane Huddleston, are: KumKum Gupta, President; Gene Mullin, Vice President; and Paul Formosa, Treasurer. \$2000.00 of seed money to open a Foundation account at First National Bank was requested and approved and will be paid later.

It was noted that 344 accounts were cleared during the Food for Fines: Library Community Food Drive campaign.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 PM. Next meeting: April 12, 2016 Main Library auditorium at 6 pm.

These minutes respectfully submitted by Pat FitzPatrick.