

**Friends of Robert Trail Library
Meeting Minutes
September 10, 2018**

1. Jo called the meeting to order and welcomed new member, Jackie Staigger.
2. **Treasurer's Report** - John provided the the report for the last two months which indicated a beginning balance of \$12,404.86, expenses of \$792.39, and an ending balance of 11,959.94. Income included membership dues, designated donations, and Book Give-a-way sales and donations. Expenses included storage, media specialist grants, name tags, ice cream social, bird seed, truck rental, gas, office supplies, and printing.
3. **Old Business**
 - Leprechaun Days** - The parade was a great success with good weather, and big turn out at the Book-Give-a-way following the parade. We discussed possible improvements for next year.
 - One Book** - The FRTL dinner for author, Lisa Ballard is set for October 24 at 6:30. Her book is Turn Left at the Cow , and activities are planned for Sept. 27 - Oct. 24.
 - Country Faire** - This event will be Saturday, September 15 from 10:00 to 4:00 at the Steeple Center. Volunteer help is needed for concessions, and set-up.
 - Book Pick Up** - Heritage Library has more books and help will be needed for Sept. 18 at 9:00 to load books. Thanks to those that will be helping. Another weeding party will take place soon at Ann and John's house.
 - 2019 Book Sale** - Dates are planned for set up April 13 -22 (Not Easter Sunday), preview April 23 and sale through April 27 which is Bag Day. April 28 will be disposal of unsold books.
 - Clock forLibrary** - Jo has purchased the clock for the library and county personnel will install the clock soon.
 - Media Grant** - one additional grant request was accepted from this year's budget.
 - Collection Display Case** - Along with RAAC, a case was purchased that will be used in the library. Shalome will talk with librarian, Terry, about placement in addition to other topics discussed at this meeting.
4. **New Business**
 - Haunted Trail** - It was agreed that the FRTL would participate in the event set for Sat.,Oct. 29 where volunteers will be passing out candy and reminders of the Book Give Away on the next day, Sunday, Oct. 30
 - Community Arts Events** - John explained about the "Gratitude Wall" and the bottle cap art project that are being planned by RAAC starting this fall,
 - Contributions** - a motion was approved to make donations to the Leprechaun Days and Haunted Trail Events.
5. **Other**
 - Possible changes to library hours** (closing at 8:00) - This could affect the Friends meeting time in the future.
 - Books to the Rescue** - Tammy will be contacted to join our next meeting to report on the success of the program with Rosemount Police.
 - FRTL Brochures** - There is a need to reprint the Friends brochures.
 - Artist Receptions** - It was agreed to continue these events again next year.. John will make contacts with the art teachers from each of the schools that have participated in the past.
 - Web Site** - Jo and Jean will be working with Sue Stein on further development of the Friends web site.
 - Staff Treats** -Barb will provide the library staff treats for the Oct - Dec quarter.
 - Library Celebration Activities** - Suggestions for future ideas were briefly discussed, and will be tabled until the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Barb Mahovlich

Secretary