

## **Friends of Henderson Libraries**

**January 24, 2017**

Board members attending: Marian Brown, Julie Buckley, Alexandra Costa, Leslie Finzer, Laura Carroll, Donna Israelson, Dahl Capello and Cindy Vallar . Guests: Gayle Hornaday, Candace Kingsley, Kristina Wang, Betsey Johnson, Joy Gunn, and Melissa LaPorte.

President Brown called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. The minutes of the December meeting were approved.

Per Ms. Hornaday the Board of Trustees has formed a search committee for a new Executive Director. The Malcolm Library has been listed for sale.

Ms. Brown reported that our Amazon sales exceeded \$73,000 (gross) in 2016. She read a letter from Goodwill Industries thanking us for our 10,000+ pounds of unsold books donated from our monthly book sales in 2016. The Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast will take place at the Green Valley Library on Wednesday, April 26. At the March Board of Trustees meeting, we will present a check from the proceeds of our Library Tree Lane gala.

On a motion by Ms. Buckley, seconded by Ms. Finzer, the Board approved the LTL proceeds from the 2016 gala will be \$42,000. Additionally, she made a motion, seconded by Ms. Carroll, to rent a 10'x10' storage unit to accommodate LTL items currently stored at Malcolm. The motion passed. All items stored at Malcolm and not needed will be disposed of at a parking lot sale soon.

Alexandra Costa presented year-end financials 2015 and 2016 for comparison. Our estimated donation to HDPL for 2017 will be \$154,000, down from 2016's \$170,000.

Ms. Vallar reported that membership renewals are still being received. She is still working with Ernest Dale on the FOL membership database.

Ms. Finzer reviewed total 2016 book sales: Gibson \$6,698.01; Green Valley \$6,133.41; Paseo Verde \$32,185.05. Bookstores: Gibson \$9,532.11; Green Valley \$8,633.02; Heritage Park \$710.24; Paseo Verde \$29,437.59. Amazon (net): \$54,183.79. 2016 Total: \$147,513.22.

Ms. Petruso requested articles for the spring newsletter be submitted to her by the end of March. The issue will feature volunteers and new fundraising events planned.

Ms. Vallar demonstrated the new design of our website produced by the Art Institute students. The new website goes "live" today so that the students can submit their work for awards. Our 2017 Business Plan will be posted, along with our 2016 History, prepared by Ms. Capello.

Ms. Wang and Ms. Johnson requested \$350 for \$1 gift certificate prizes for the Summer Reading Program. The expenditure was approved on a motion by Ms. Finzer, seconded by Ms. Israelson.

The value of our Henderson Chamber of Commerce membership was discussed to ascertain its benefit for FOL. On a motion by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Ms. Finzer, the Board voted to allow our membership to expire.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

For the Board,

Leslie Miller, Secretary