Friends of the Summerville Library (FOSL) April 9, 2014

The monthly meeting of the Friends of the Summerville Library met on Tuesday, April 9, 2014. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm.

In Attendance:

Autumn Reid, President

Carol Brummett, Vice President

Harriet Little, Member

Becky Westfall, Library Liaison

Anne Gleason, Treasurer

Carole Brier, Secretary

Ellen Hyatt, Summerville Writers Guild Liaison

Angela Creed, Member

Nina Spell, Member

Samuel Spell, Member

Agenda:

- 1. President and Publicity reports (Reid)
- 2. Treasurer's report (Gleason)
- 3. Library Liaison report (Westfall)
- 4. Advocacy Committee (Rison)
- 5. Membership Committee report (Coffey)
- 6. Book Sale report (Coffey)
- 7. Fundraising/Events Committee (Ward)
- 8. Hospitality Committee report (Brummett)
- 10. Summerville Writers Guild Liaison (Hyatt)
- 11. Unfinished business (Reid)
- 12. New business (Reid)
- 13. Upcoming meetings/event dates
- 14. Adjournment

President's Report (Reid)

- Publicity has been sent out for the upcoming book sale and for the general meetings.
- A sign-up sheet for volunteers to assist with Third Thursday events was redistributed.
- The Spring Newsletter was launched in April, 2014. Next issue due June 1, 2014.

Treasurer's Report (Gleason)

Beginning balance: \$8,389.73

Income for the month \$9.32 Expenses for the month 218.10

Ending Balance \$8,180.95

The detailed Treasurer's Report is available from Anne Gleason.

Library Report to Friends of the Summerville Library (Westfall)

Events at the library:

- Daily programs for Money Smart Week (see bookmarks)
- Summerville Rocks! Chair is in the library. Renee Bruce painted our chair, using the Public Library Association's phrase, "Every Child Ready to Read!" The chair was sponsored by DC First Steps. Would the Friends be interested in bidding on this chair so the library can keep it?
- SCAA display is in the glass case.
- Rotten Ralph art work will be up in the library through April.

What's Happening?

- Writers Guild (Ellen and Carole) wrote a very nice article on Carol Brummett which the library will submit for publication to the SJS.
- SC Academy of Authors will induct 4 new members to the Academy at the end of the month. These 4 writers are featured in the library's display case during April. Thank you to Ellen Hyatt for helping us be a part of the SCAA's Library Initiative.
- We are very hopeful that our parking lot may be resurfaced in the next couple of months, thanks to grant money the county received for paving work.
- Our new web site is almost ready to "go live"!
- A new bookmobile will be ordered before summer. It can take nearly a year, though, before delivery.
- Spring Story Times have begun. The Junior Volunteer Program will put out applications before the end of April.
- National Library Week is April 13-19
- Vita Tax will be doing taxes here for one more Saturday (4/12)
- A Bright Beginnings Workshop and the Lego Club will meet on Saturday 4/19/14
- Easter Closing Sunday, 4/20/14 and Staff Training Day/Computer System Upgrade 4/21/14

Advocacy Committee (Rison)

• Dr. Rison was absent from this meeting

Membership Committee (Coffey)

• \$174 was received, and the Friends welcomed two new members.

Summerville Writers Guild Liaison Report (Hyatt)

- Two of us (Carole Brier and Ellen E. Hyatt) pleasantly partnered to write the first piece for Library Advocacy and submitted it to Librarian Rebecca Westfall. That first in a series for Lives Change @ Your Library features Carol Brummett of Saturday morning story hour as library volunteer.
- Once again, it is a joy to report that Summerville Library is participating in the Library Initiative of the South Carolina Academy of Authors. Librarian Rebecca Westfall and Ellen E. Hyatt met on Tuesday, April 1, to place works of the 2014 Inductees in the display case. During the month of April, Summerville Library's display case is hosting displays of works by Inductees Gilbert Allen (poetry); Janette Turner Hospital (fiction); John Lane (nonfiction); and the late Robert Quillen (journalist and single-panel cartoonist).

Hospitality (Brummett)

• Nothing new to report.

Fundraising/Events (Ward)

• Pam Ward was absent from this meeting.

New Business

- The Nominating Committee Preliminary Report April 8, 2014
 Members of Nominating Committee: Harriet Little, Angela Creed, and Autumn Reid.
 The Committee recommends the following individual for Treasurer:
 Anne Gleason
- Autumn will look into ordering more bags. Funds for the purchase have been allocated and are in the budget for 2014.
- The Rotary will present a Flag Day program. Each child who attends will be presented with a new book. Proper flag etiquette will highlight the program.
- The Rotary is purchasing a shelf of books on American history, Civics, Government and patriotic holidays for the library.
- The library asked the Rotary to consider purchasing a special display on castors for displaying the books. The donated books would be displayed for a period of time and then the shelf might be used for other purposes such as displaying new books. The total shelf cost is \$1200, the Rotary has \$600 that can be used toward its purchase. The library requested that the Friends complete the purchase at the cost of approximately \$600. Ellen suggested that an engraved plaque be purchased and attached to the shelf acknowledging the gifts. After discussion, Carol moved that FOSL provide funds, not to exceed \$600. Anne moved that a plaque to purchased citing the Rotary and FOSL as benefactors.

Upcoming Meetings/Event Dates

- FOSL Executive Board meeting— April 29, at 7pm at ABC
- General FOSL meeting May 13, at 7 pm at the Library

Adjournment

Autumn Reid adjourned the meeting at 7:45 pm

Respectfully submitted: Carole Brier, Secretary Minutes amended May 16, 2014