# Friends of the Summerville Library (FOSL) Tuesday, April 11, 2017

The monthly meeting of the Friends of the Summerville Library met on Tuesday, April 11, 2017. Carol Brummett, President called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

#### In Attendance:

Carol Brummett, President
Cathy Coffey, Membership/Book Sale
Mevelyn Williams, Secretary
Kathy Marrah, Treasurer
Ellen Hyatt, Liaison to SMR Writers Guild
Beverly Brockman, Member
Jennifer Smith, Children's Librarian
Nancy Nicodemus, Member-at-Large
Sandra Baden, Member
Rebecca Westfall, Member
Bob Tryon, Member

#### Agenda:

- 1. President and Publicity reports (Brummett)
- 2. Treasurer's report (Marrah)
- 3. Library Liaison report (Smith)
- 4. Membership Committee/Book Sale report (Coffey)
- 5. Summerville Writers Guild Liaison (Hyatt)
- 6. Unfinished business (Brummett)
- 7. New business (Brummett)
- 8. Upcoming meetings/event dates
- 9. Adjournment

# President's Report (Brummett)

- March minutes were approved with corrections.
- Funds allocated earlier, \$ 3,000, for electronic books have not been expended.
- There are some improvements needed in the children's area which Carol Brummett and Jennifer Smith have discussed.
- State funds for the library need to be used by fiscal year end of June 30 before more funds are added. There will probably be lull in expenditures during July thus FOSL will be mindful of the needs at that time.

# <u>Treasurer's Report (Marrah)</u>

- Monthly expense report for February and March was presented. Filed for audit.
- Current total expenses will be reduced by \$2,000 for the summer reading program, check issued tonight to Jennifer to cover this.

# <u>Library Liaison Report to Friends of Summerville Library –Jennifer Smith</u> Library News:

- Jennifer brought the newest copy of the Bookworm magazine which is produced by the teens themselves. Delivered today very impressive work! Kudos to the team!
- We are finalizing plans for our Summer Reading Program. I do want to thank the FOSL for their generosity in the purchase of the new bulletin board for the children's area. Picture follows. Also attached is the handout of events for Summer Reading.
- Please add Pinky Herriott to the email list she would like to be included on all correspondence.

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- There is a \$300-400 wish list for programs that coordinate with the Summer Reading Program.
- Also requested are filing cabinets. Even used, if in good condition.



Staff Report: Nothing new at this time.

## **Upcoming Programs:**

- Wednesday s Circle Time at 10:30 and Music and Motion at 11:30 and Therapy Dogs at 3:30
- Thursdays Preschool Story Time at 10:30 and Tech Thursday at 1:00
- Fridays Family Story Time at 11:30
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays Teen Advisory Group at 2:00 and Board of Bookworms at 3:00
- Mondays Summerville Chess Club at 5:30
- Tuesdays Circle Time at 10:30 and Board Game Café at 3:30
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays features Color My World Adult Coloring at 1:00
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays Makerspaces at 3:30
- 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays Genealogy on the Internet at 1:00 and Teen Zone at 5:30
- 1<sup>st</sup> Mondays Happy Birthday Author! Meeting at 3:30
- Saturday, 3/25/17 from 2-4 Young adult book sighing by author, Andrew Zabriski

# Membership and Book Sale Report – C. Coffey

Membership: Collected \$40.00 in memberships and donations (one new member and one renewal). Total of 172 members.

Book Sale: During the Flowertown Festival, sold 90 Reader Digest books for \$45 to Salli Cupstid of North Augusta. Received a check for \$343.74 from Matthew Savage for consignment books sold in March.

The American Legion Post has confirmed our upcoming book sale May 5-7th. We have newly designed flyers. Ads have been placed for SJS for April 19, 26, and May 3. The Coffee News will list the sale in their May 1st edition. Flyers and book marks will be in the library this week. Emails will go out to members this week announcing the book sale and requesting volunteers to help set up and work the book sale. The banner and road signs will be ready to pick up this week.

#### Writer's Guild Report – E. Hyatt

1. Articles about the library continue to run, though our previous contact at the JOURNAL SCENE has been on extended leave. I aim to have the newspaper continue with our theme: "Lives Change @ Your Library" and our usual schedule: last Wed. of the month (pursuant for getting the word out in a timely fashion for the upcoming month). If the paper has no space for the article, the editor kindly still puts it online until at which time there is space in the print edition.

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2. When there is a Friends' event, we'll need info early if we want something about it in the column and desire smooth communication with the public. To that end, I'm glad to report that I am ready for the info on the Mary Alice Monroe tea now so that an article can run in May. (This article, of course, is in addition to any press releases that are being done.) The article scheduled for Wed., April 26, is about the recent Music program at the library, the first in a series. Again, thank you for your time, attention, and kind reading of our library series.

# Mary Alice Monroe Tea - S. Baden

A Southern Summer Tea with Mary Alice Monroe, 2 to 4 pm on Sunday, June 25, Grace Lutheran Church Save the Date Flyers are soon to be out. Tickets available at library May 1.

Tickets including reception and hard-backed copy of new book (signed) \$35 through May; \$45 in June.

Members of FOSL may be authorized to pay \$25 and bring food for reception.

Pianist from last year to perform.

Thanks to Kathy Marrah for developing flyers and tickets.

Thanks to Kathy Marrah and Rebecca Westfall for providing snacks for young adult author. Nine attendees. Sold 4 books. Very interesting event.

Trying to get Patti Callahan Henry in July or August with her new book.

Note: we might consider using EventBrite for ticket sales. They are easy to use and only have a small surcharge.

## **Upcoming Dates:**

- Third Thursday, April 20, Hutchinson Square, Downtown Summerville Cathy will promote the book sale
- Gigantic Book Sale, May 5, 6 & 7 at the American Legion Post
- Annual induction for SC Authors, April 22, 2017 in Florence, SC
- Executive Board, April 25, 2017 at 7pm, IHOP on Dorchester
- General Membership Meeting, May 9, 2017 at 7pm, Westvaco Room
- Dorchester County Library Budget Presentation, May 22 at 6:30 in St. George

#### **Unfinished Business:**

#### **New Business:**

Nominating Committee will report at the May meeting as to their recommendations for filling the President's position.

# **Announcements/ For the Good of the Order:**

Becky Westfall reminded the attendees that the Summerville FOSL has only been in existence for 10 years, and began with 6 members. Look at us now! With a healthy budget and 172 members!

# **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm. Respectfully submitted:
Mevelyn Williams, Secretary
May 6, 2017