

## Friends of the Summerville Library (FOSL) Tuesday, January 9, 2018

The monthly meeting of the Friends of the Summerville Library met on Tuesday January 9, 2018. Nancy Nicodemus, President called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

### **In Attendance:**

Nancy Nicodemus, President  
Cathy Coffey, Vice-President  
Mevelyn Williams, Secretary  
Kathy Marrah, Treasurer  
Rebecca Moore, Member  
Ellen Hyatt, Liaison to SMR Journal Scene  
Beverly Brockman, Member-at-Large  
Sandra Baden, Member  
Anne Gleason, Member  
Harriett Little, Member  
Robert Tryon, Member  
Barbara Ann Hughes, Member  
Donna Underwood, Member  
Robert Antill, Library Executive Director

### **Agenda:**

- Approval of previous meeting minutes (postponed until February meeting)
- President's Report (Nicodemus)
- Vice President's Report (Coffey)
- Treasurer's Report (Marrah)
- Library Liaison Report (Gleber)
- Committee Reports
  - Membership/Book Sale (Coffey)
  - Writer's Guild (Hyatt)
  - Events (Baden)
- Unfinished business
- New business

### **President's Report (Nicodemus)**

Greetings and Happy New Year!

I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas season, and that you went out and made at least one Snow Angel in the year's new snow!

The final approved version of the bylaws is posted on the FOSL website. I thank the bylaw committee for their hard work and echo Ellen's sentiments of thanks that we have a strong FOSL foundation to build on.

The Library looked its festive best because of the creative efforts of Gail and her talented group at the Greening of the Library December 6<sup>th</sup>. I was thankful they trusted me enough to carry their beautiful arrangements to various places in the library. Our thanks go out to all of them.

The Staff Appreciation Luncheon that FOSL hosts annually was held December 13<sup>th</sup>. Our thanks to Autumn who coordinated the event and as always made it a special time for us to show our thanks and appreciation to the wonderful library staff.

The Jack Bass books, "The Orangeburg Massacre" were purchased by FOSL and have been available for library patrons to pick up. I have taken advantage of this opportunity, and although I can't really say I have "enjoyed" reading the book, I have been glad that I have. I look forward to the author visit this coming Saturday, as well as to the many events associated with the Cecil Williams exhibit that is coming to the library. I hope everyone will attend as many of the events as possible.

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By now you have surely heard that "That group" has officially declared that they will appeal the judge's decision on the library bond issue. I encourage us all to take heart! We will continue to advocate for the new larger library facilities we so dearly need and desire, and also will continue to support our library in its current facility in whatever ways we can.

With warmest regards,  
Nancy Nicodemus

### **Vice President's Report – C. Coffey**

Current membership is 168. Renewal notices are being sent out.

**NOTE:** Third Thursday is January 18 from 4pm to 8:30pm. They will need to have payment in order for us to participate. Kathy will get the funds to them.

### **Library Liaison Report – J. Gleber**

The Library staff has determined that the funds to EPSCO for magazines (\$1500) will no longer be needed as online, digital access is available and much less costly. FOSL can use the funds for other purposes – potential replacement of chairs is one option being considered.

### **Treasurer's Report – K. Marrah**

<b>Beginning Balance for the period December 1-31, 2017</b>	\$28,805.88
<b>Income for the Month:</b>	
Consignment:	\$342.26
Membership:	<u>\$ 40.00</u>
<b>Total Income for December</b>	\$382.26

### **Expenses for the Month:**

Storage Facility:	\$188.10
Staff Luncheon:	\$477.01
S'ville Dream Mbrshp.:	<u>\$ 95.00</u>
<b>Total Expenses for December</b>	<u>\$760.11</u>
<b>Ending balance for the period December 1-31, 2017</b>	<b><u>\$ 28,428.03</u></b>

### **Book Sale Report – C. Coffey**

January 26-28, 2018. Set Up on Thursday, January 25th.

Emails have been sent to FOSL members announcing the Book Sale and requesting volunteers to help with the sale. I've had several responses but still need more help. We have plenty of books, etc for the sale. We have decided to not advertise VHS tapes since they do not sell well and take up a lot of space. Any that are already in the storage units will be placed in the sale. Future donations of VHS tapes will be donated directly to Habitat for Humanity or Goodwill.

Advertising in the Summerville Journal Scene is in place for January 10th, 17th, and 24th. We are doing these ads in color this time to see if they are more effective. Ash & T's is set to pick up books from the storage unit and deliver them to the American Legion Post. Notices will go out to the schools, churches, other non profits this week. Flyers will be placed in the local coffee shops as we get nearer to the sale date. Post and Courier ads will go out this week.

### **Liaison to the Summerville Journal Scene Report – E. Hyatt**

Our monthly library article appeared in the JOURNAL SCENE on Wed., Dec. 27. The article is about the upcoming literary events: new book by Judy Watts [she's had to postpone her Jan. 21 presentation]; the events centering around the honor of having Cecil Williams and his remarkable photography exhibit documenting civil rights, including "The Orangeburg Massacre"; Jack Bass talking about his book by the same name; and more.

With appreciation to those helping with info for the column: Friends' member Sandra Baden, Executive Director Robert Antill, Branch Manager Jenn Gleber, and Librarian Leslie Koller.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ellen E. Hyatt

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### **Events Report – S. Baden**

Judy Watts has postponed her event (and the 1st Thursday Book Club) until later in the year due to health issues. The date is to be determined.

### **Upcoming Dates:**

- Book discussion of “The Orangeburg Massacre” with co-author Jack Bass – January 13 from 3 – 4pm
- Third Thursday - January 18, 4pm till ?, Summerville Town Square,
- The next Gigantic Book Sale is planned for January 26 - January 28, 2018 at the American Legion Post
- Executive Board - January 30, 2018 at 7pm (Perkins) versus old date of January 24, 2017
- Reception for Cecil Williams: author talk and book signing – February 2, 2018 5 – 8 pm
- General Meeting - February 13, 2018 at 7pm, Westvaco Room
- Film viewing “I Am Not Your Negro” – February 14, 2018 6-8pm
- Cecil Williams Art Exhibit “Unforgettable: Celebrating a Time of Life, Hope and Bravery” – January 29 to March 16
- Winter Reading Program – December 1 – February 28

### **Unfinished Business:**

Library requests three \$25 gift cards for the staff winter reading program. Motion was made by Anne that FOSL would pay for the purchase of the gift cards, totaling \$75, motion seconded by Sandra. Motion carried.

### **New Business:**

Cathy Coffey states that we are down to about 1 box of the FOSL book bags. Cost of 250 bags, 5 boxes, are about \$1098. They can be delivered directly to the storage unit for keeping rather than being held at the library. Motion was made by Anne that FOSL allocate funds of \$1100 to purchase the bags, seconded by Harriett. Motion carried.

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

Harriet Little passed a copy of the cartoon (from the Post and Courier) all about turning down the corners in books!

### **Adjournment**

Thank you to Kathy Marrah for bringing cheese ball and crackers!

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Mevelyn Williams, Secretary

January 21, 2018