Friends of the Van Alstyne Public Library

In Attendance: Bob Hendricks, Grady Ebensberger, Diane Windsor, Paige Crail, Ashley Strang, Lee Dahlen, Deb Dahlen, Maria Haines, Ben Haines, Brent Joyce, Judy Kimzey

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by Bob Hendricks

Approval of Minutes

September minutes were reviewed and approved. Motion to approve made by Brent Joyce. Seconded by Lee Dahlen. Motion passed unanimously

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Profit and Loss report provided by treasurer, Diane Windsor for September 2023. Included library expenditures for books and genealogy equipment

Paige Crail motioned to approve. Seconded by Brent Joyce. Motion passed unanimously.

Business Discussion:

<u>Cars & Coffee</u>: October event went well. Brent and Maria to support November Cars & Coffee <u>By Laws</u>: Discussions and updates tabled until the new year. Judy will send examples of bylaws adopted by other Friends groups to help review voting quorum rules.

Corporate Sponsors:

Judy reviewed the Corporate Sponsor notebook with everyone. She provided the Corporate Sponsor levels for us to include on the website.

Diane passed around a list of potential donors (businesses who have supported our map project). Paige to add the spreadsheet to the Friends Google drive, and share it with the group. She will look at donor lists from previous years to add a column to indicate who has donated before.

Fall Book Fair:

College location was great! If we do it there in the spring, we may need to do it in June (a little later than our usual Spring Book Fair dates)

Lessons Learned: we need to provide snacks for the Boy Scouts. And we need to request support from the Scouts for moving books back to the ISD after the sale.

Paige and Diane to send a \$100 donation and thank you to the troop for their support.

Website:

Diane is our new website manager! Thanks Diane! Laura of Sheep Boutique is retiring, and the transfer of licenses and information is complete. We'll be paying a \$15/month hosting fee.

Bricks:

Orders are coming in! 4 orders have come in so far, but there seems to be a lot of interest! Dahlens are willing to do a flyer around town.

Paige to create a holiday version of the flyer for the FB page. Will post about ordering bricks weekly. Inquiries will go to Diane. Donors can choose the park of their choice (the new park should be done in the Spring). When the holiday flyer is complete, we'll send to the library so they can share too.

Van Alstyne Map Fundraiser:

We have had lots of sign-ups! Diane is working on collecting payments. The goal is 40-50 businesses. The map will be done by January.

Plaque for Ellie:

Plaque is ready! Thanks to Brent for getting it made and covering costs! Bob and Rick will discuss timing of hanging the plaque (will aim for November meeting).

Library Director's Report

Door count is experiencing its expected seasonal decline (about 15%), but it's a smaller decline than in previous years. Program attendance is holding strong!

Discussed a path forward for copies made for the Friends. Black and white copies will continue to be complimentary but the Friends will provide reimbursement for color copies, as that money goes to the city. Friday will be Copy Day for the library staff. We can email a form with any print requests. There will be a 10 copy minimum for color copies.

Color copies of the Trunk or Treat bookmarks are complete and have been paid for.

Roundtable Discussions and Announcements:

Partin Trunk or Treat will be on Thursday the 26th. Paige and Ashley to supp;ort

Adjournment and Next Meeting Announcement

Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 by Bob Hendricks after a motion to adjourn from Paige Crail. It was seconded by Maria Haines. Next meeting will be November 28, 2023 at 6 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Paige Crail, Secretary