Bandon Library Friends and Foundation Monthly Meeting

April 24, 2018 MINUTES

BLFF President Merle Logan called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

Attendees: Merle Logan, Rosalyn McGarva, Katie Heap, Horty Joyce, Korinn Hockett, Barbara Adams, Steve Adams, Sabrina Johnson, Megan Maloney, Jean Hanna, Tamsin Hanna

Introduction of Guests: Katie Heep and Korinn Hockett. Katie is a former English professor, new to Bandon, who has been involved with other library friends groups. Korinn has three young children and is involved with the children's sewing circle at the Bandon Library.

Merle clarified that he has been involved with the Bandon Library since 1999 when he became involved as chairman the Library Fundraising Committee, then Vice-President of the Foundation. At that time, the Friends was just a committee of the foundation when Merle brought them together on an equal status.

Minutes -- Last Meeting: March 27, 2018. Horty moved to accept the minutes, Barbara seconded, and the Board approved.

Library Director's comments: Rosalyn has just returned from the Oregon Library Association conference, where she met the family who will be donating half the cost of purchasing the books with the Dolly Parton Imagination Library program. The BLFF agreed to pay the other half of the cost; there is no cost to the participants. Thirty Bandon children, ages 0 through one day shy of 5, will participate; each will receive one book each month. Rosalyn brought samples of the books that will be distributed. Two libraries in Coos County -- Bandon and Myrtle Point -- are now participating in the program.

Rosalyn said that the adult education programs that Sara is organizing have been extremely successful and popular.

Rosalyn is working with the City of Bandon on the 2018-2019 library budget. This should be finalized in June. A Mushroom Identification Program will be held on Thursday, May 24. The Lego and Create Circle programs continue.

The Sprague Room door should be replaced by this summer. There is also exterior painting and some other work that needs to be done. These expenses will be paid by the City of Bandon.

Treasurer's Report: Barbara said that for March, 2018, the beginning balance in the operating account was \$46,365.43. Income for the month was \$590.07. There were disbursements of \$2,408. Effective March 31, 2018, available operating funds totaled \$44,547.37, and the Endowment Fund balance was \$142,179.60. The checking account balance as of this morning was \$27,448.79. Horty moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, Steve seconded, and the Board approved.

One CD matures April 28. The Board agreed to move this from First Community Credit Union to Umpqua Bank, and to close out the First Community account. The interest will be used to fund the Dolly Parton Imagination Library program and a new projector.

Library Board update: The only new information discussed was Merle's resignation from the Library Board. Five applications for this position have been received.

Discussion Topics:

Poetry Program -- "Songs from the Southern Oregon Coast": The books have been printed. There will be a reception this Sunday at 2:00 p.m. at the Port Orford Library to celebrate the people who contributed. Megan plans to attend and bring back books for the Bandon students who participated. Gary Carter, the book's organizer, would like to schedule a book event at the library. Megan asked the BLFF to absorb the room fee, and have some books available for library patrons to purchase. The Board agreed.

Sprague Closet: Megan mentioned that the projector hasn't been ordered as there was new information: Cyberlynx has offered to purchase a ceiling-mounted system for the Sprague Room. The Board felt this was a very generous offer. Rosalyn said she has been working with Library District IT staff on how to accomplish this. Executec will write up a bid for both the projection system and a sound system. Additionally, the Board would like to purchase a projector like the one used by the Bandon Historical Museum and the Bandon School District, at a cost of approximately \$400. Megan will get information to Rosalyn so she can check to see if she can get better pricing.

Survey Fundraising: The committee has had one additional meeting and will need to meet again to finalize survey questions.

Rosalyn mentioned that the adult programs Sara has been scheduling have been mostly free. Rosalyn asked if the BLFF would consider providing a stipend for out-of-area presenters to help mitigate their travel costs. For example, if a presenter were giving a three-day workshop, a stipend of \$250 would help cover food and lodging expenses. Korinn suggested the use of an Air B and B or another type of legal rental. Katie said that she would be willing to donate the use of a home/condo she owns in Coos Bay. This home will be available through 2018. Rosalyn will make requests for specific dates at the next meeting.

Current Business

Budget Committee: Barbara said that through the third quarter report, the BLFF has spent less than it has brought in. Rosalyn has currently spent \$8,000 of the \$13,000 the BLFF provided the library for adult media and programs.

Staff Picks Project (SPP): Cathy said that Staff Pick Project (SPP) is moving forward. Razoo, the internet fundraising site, is now called mightycause:

https://www.mightycause.com/story/Bandonlibrarybooks.
Sara and Cathy decided the book mark project will read as a dollar donation so there will be no extra line for Barbara to keep track of. Cathy offered her thanks to everyone for helping on this unique and inclusive fundraising project.

Sara asked to acknowledge local artist Dorothea Tortilla's unique contribution to SPP with a series of original wood block bookmarks. She hand tools each stamp and hand prints each bookmark on fine artist paper. When a person donates more than \$2 to the SPP, he/she receives one of these bookmarks.

Starting next week, there will be featured Staff Picks Project displays on the library's large central table. Keeping the project visible and fresh will help to invite future donations, as will the bookmarks.

Newsletter: Steve reported that so far there have been no postal returns from the most recent newsletter. Also, in the last newsletter there was a coupon for people to use to make donations. So far, three donations totaling \$400 have been received.

Art Committee: There is no new information to share.

Historian: There is no new information to share.

Neverending Book Sale: Horty reported that \$344 has been earned so far this month.

Movie Night: Horty reported that this month's movie was *Sunset*, with Bruce Willis as Tom Mix and James Garner as Wyatt Earp. About 20 people attended. The May movie will be *The Terminal*, with Tom Hanks and Catherine Zeta-Jones, directed by Steven Spielberg.

Book Club: Sabrina reported that although just five people attended the April Meeting to discuss *Life of Pi* by Yann Martel, it was the best discussion yet. The May's book will be *Magic Kingdom for Sale -- SOLD!* by Terry Brooks, a Pacific Northwest author. It's been almost two years since the book group began.

Travel Night: Seventy people attended Jim Proehl's talk on "Traveling to Bandon in the Nineteen-teens." Horty mentioned that a special guest, Marjorie Bullard Stevenson, attended. Marjorie is 104 years old, and shared some thoughts about what Bandon was like 100 years ago. In May, Rick Toth will present "Guam -- The Gem of Micronesia."

Website: The website is up to date. Maureen appreciates hearing feedback, including suggestions and notice of any problems.

Publicity: Megan said she feels things are going well but always appreciates suggestions and reminders.

New Business

Rosalyn reminded everyone that tomorrow, Wednesday, April 25, at 2:00 p.m. the Title Wave author Gregg Hurwitz will give a presentation at the Sprague Theatre. The high school is sending a bus with 75 students to attend.

Korinn thanked Horty for her help with the children's sewing program.

Rosalyn also mentioned that a donation of a sofa and loveseat were made to the library and are already being used.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, April May 22, 2018, at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Megan Maloney, Secretary