Meeting of the Friends of the Florida Public Library  
Minutes of August 12, 2019

Meeting called to order by President Bob Scott @ 6:32 PM

Members Present: Bob Scott, Nancy Scott, Shirley Coughlin, Terri Gott, Ann Marie Kowalczyk, Mary Fish, Meg Sgombick, Mary McNally, Dot Kimiecik, Pitso Mafata

Officer’s Report:
Secretary: Reviewed the minutes of the last meeting. Meg made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected, seconded by Terri. Motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report: Terri had reports for June and July. The current total is 2067.81, Bob accepted the report and to be filed for audit.

Director’s Report: Meg Sgombick for Madelyn Folino
- Over 50 various programs were held during our Summer Reading Program which ended on 8/2.
- Thank you for sponsoring our Kick-off, Wrap-Up, Diane Edgecomb and Poetry Café programs. We appreciate your continued support of our programs. Received donation of ice cream from Stewart’s Shops. Thank you for all your help and continued support.
- We have received our American Museum of Natural History voucher and have already had several patrons take advantage of them.
- Still awaiting the Hudson River Maritime Museum passes.
- For the Fall be will be having a Viking theme to coincide with our 2nd Annual Black Storytelling Festival on Saturday, Sept. 28th (also our 61st Anniversary Weekend).
- We will also be celebrating Library Card Sign up month in September along with Banned Books week from Sept. 22-28.
- Will also be beginning our Focus Group. Dates are
  o Mon., Sept. 16 from 8-10:30 a.m. geared towards local businesses.
  o Fri., Sept. 20 from 9:30 a.m. to noon
  o Mon., Sept. 23 from 6-8:30 p.m.
  o Tues., Oct. 1 from 7 – 9:30 p.m.
  o Sun., Oct. 20 from 1 – 3:30 p.m.
- On special side note I would like to thank the Friends for the support for the Randy Enos Scholarship. Bob wrote me a lovely recommendation letter and I am pleased to announce that I have been selected as a recipient. This is a $500 scholarship to attend the NYLA (NY Library Association) Conference from November 13-16.

Funding Requests:

October Poetry Café:
$200 for Emcee, Robert Milby
$50 for refreshments
NYLA Registration for Meg Sgombick - $219
(library only has $750 in staff training)

Great Give Back Day – month of October. Will be doing an “item specific” food drive for the Florida Community Food Pantry. Will have more information at September meeting.

Vice President’s Report: None

President’s Report: Yesterday at the Florida Fun Fest was a good day. Discussed possibly having library card sign-up at the fun fest. 4 totes were sold for a total of $12. They had t-shirts for sale but none sold.

Trustee Report: Nancy Scott
Discussed focus groups

Correspondence: Received an email from Clare Kirkwood resigning her position as secretary due to new employment.

Old Business:
Fun Fest sale report – Terri commented that it was good to have a library employee there to assist in answering questions.

New Business:
Shirley made a motion to support some of Meg’s NYLA Conference expenses in the amount of $219 to pay the early bird registration fee. Motion was seconded by Terri. Motion passed.

Mary F made a motion to pay $200 for Robert Milby and $50 for refreshments for the Poetry Cafe on Saturday afternoon Oct 19. Motion seconded by Pitso. Motion passed.

Election of Secretary – Bob stated he would like a volunteer for secretary. Ann Marie volunteered asking for assistance with the position. Nancy made a motion to nominate Ann Marie as secretary, seconded by Shirley. Motion passed.

Mary F, made a motion to adjourn at 7:29, seconded by Ann Marie. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Scott, secretary pro-tem