Minutes for Friends of TPML Members Meeting October 16, 2023

Attendees: Terry Evans, Susan Smith, Mara Benitez, Jo Johnstone, Janice Epps, Cazilda Steele, Jean Wileyman, Sandra Anna John, Gayle Tober

Meeting came to order at 1:00pm, Terry Evans presiding.
Minutes from the August 21, 2023 meeting were approved. The September meeting was to celebrate the Big Give and no minutes were taken.

President's Report
Terry reported the Friends' bricks for Lifetime Members were installed and thanked Art Williams for doing the installation. Also, Terry said the Big Give was a success surpassing the $15,000 goal, and thanked all those who helped in promoting it.

Treasurer's Report
Janice reported she is holding funds from the Big Give until December as requested by Natalie when all funds will have been collected. In addition, Terry is working on a budget for Canyon Lake Reads with Doris. A check for $2,461.34 was given to the library.

Checking Ending Balance 9/30/2023: $17,961.56
Savings Ending Balance 9/30/2023: $4,753.50

Library Director's Report
Sandy Anna John announced Natalie had her baby therefore she was filling in for Natalie. Currently she has nothing new to report and turned over the library report to Mara.

Mara said the official unveiling of the LAKE mobile will be October 28 at the North Shore United Methodist Church. She presented a "Wish" list of items that she wants to order for the bookmobile. These items will be funded by the donations received from the Big Give. Recently she held a training session for eight volunteers to help with taking the book mobile to outreach activities. The LAKE mobile will be going to several "Trunk or Treats" throughout the area.

Other library news includes Fall Fun with the Heritage Museum at the library on October 28 and the Chess Simultaneous Exhibition on October 21. Hayley Sanchez was hired as the library assistant. The eclipse gathering was a great success with all the 200 pairs of glasses given out.

Membership Report
Cazilda reported there are 256 members. Various suggestions were discussed revising and/or adding information and format on information to be given out to potential members at events and on the LAKE mobile.

Book Store Report
Connie was absent so Janice gave the report that sales for September were $324. Sales may have been lower because the September book sale was so successful.

Fundraising/Events Report
Gayle said that eight tables were assured for the Arts & Crafts event scheduled for November 3 and 4. Options were discussed for advertising to attract more vendors.

Little Free Library Report
Jo checks on the library at Ace Hardware every week adding books as necessary. Joan was not at the meeting to report. Brookshire Bros is still interested in having a Little Free Library but has not received the final approval from management.

New Business and Public Comment
No new business or public comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm.
Minutes by Susan Smith, Secretary