FRIENDS OF THE TYE PRESTON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

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MINUTES
FRIENDS MEMBERS MEETING
May 19, 2025 6:00 pm
Tye Preston Memorial Library Casteel Room

Meeting convened at 6:00 pm, Jim Little presiding

Attendees: Jim Little, Terry Evans, Gayle Tober, Doris Roberts, Cazilda Steele, Cynthia Anders, Jenny Rodriguez, Marsha White, Rhonda Robinson, Steve Beach, Judy Beach, Joan Kemple

1. Member input - None

2. President– Jim Little
Minutes from April 21, 2025 previously approved by Board.
October election- Nominating committee is Jim Little, Terry Evans, and Rudell Moss. Three positions will be open for election: (1) VP Membership; (2) VP Fundraising; and (3) Director.
Jim reported donations to TPML year end 2019 through May 14, 2025 = $201,916.64.

3. Library Director – Jenny Rodriguez
Monthly report – Friends' contributions to TPML are being used to connect Friends to programs. Friends' $$$ sponsoring prizes, lunches, books, and performers for the program. Books which will be given away will be stamped with Friends logo, and posters will advertise the sponsorship.
The May 7th community meetings with architecture company reps were well attended, and participants asked good questions. Estimates of project costs and determination of direction of library enlargement project will be made in June. An outside firm has been hired to raise funds for the project.

Big Give 2025 now registered. Donations will fund pre-K kits, citizen science kits, nature kits, education kits and others, to expand kit collections to all age groups.

4. Treasurer – Jim reported April check to TPML is $2,213.63.
Canyon Lake Reads CD renewed. Current balance is $9,120.11
Capital Campaign CD current balance is $13,297.43

5. Events & Fundraising –Gayle Tober & Doris Roberts
XMAS in July tables rented = 15
7/24 Mini Golf seeking $100 event sponsors
Pickleball tournament in October still a possibility
Used items can be donated in Friends name at Kathi's Resale and Pink Elephant

Upcoming events: (1) Creating artificial flower blooms 6/16; (2) Collage workshop with CLAG artist Diane Parker (possibly 6/23); (3) Bookstore sale 8/8-9; (4) Rummage sale in support of Big Give early September; (5) Tables du jour 11/21-22; (6) Taste & Talent '26 February 2026.
Note: Dates for events on this list which are not noted are still unconfirmed

6. Membership – Cazilda Steele
Membership update – Current membership is 283 – will be working 5/31 Summer Reading kickoff on membership drive
Cazilda organizing a committee to assist with National Friends of the Library Week, October 20-25

7. Bookstore
April bookstore & PayPal sales: $812
April coffee & snacks donations: $79
Damages to Little Free Library at Brookshire Brothers repaired by Connie & Wayne Howard, who have donated repair costs. Thank you both.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm

Following adjournment attendees participated in a Goose Chase scavenger hunt created by Jenny Rodriguez. Delicious brownies prepared by Cazilda Steele were offered and handmade car trash bags were won in a drawing by Jenny Rodriguez and Joan Kemple.

Next meeting: Monthly Members Meeting, June 16, 2025, 1:00 pm, Casteel Room