Friends of Dimond Branch Library Minutes Saturday, August 6, 2023 11 am – 1 pm

Welcome Friends!

In attendance: Sandy Venning, Stephanie Woodbury, Rebekah Eppley, Mary Schrader, François Korn, Suzanne Knott, Tom Rose, Karen Long, Karen Marie Schroeder, Eve Buckner, Liz Hendrickson

Thanks to the Dimond Branch Library Friends!

Friends' On-going book sale: François Korn

Book sorting and recycling volunteers: Mary Schrader, Stephanie Woodbury,

François Korn

Library garden volunteers: Karen Long

Dimond Branch Updates:

- Rebekah Eppley is back at Dimond as Branch Manager. Everyone welcomed Rebekah and she thanked the Friends for their support.
- Kate Hug, currently the Branch Manager at Lakeview, will transfer to Dimond as Adult Librarian (Rebekah's old position) later this year or early next year.
- New book shelf for Children's sale books. François coordinated and provided the schematics for the construction with an Eagle Scout, Sammy. It has improved sales of children's books and provided an additional shelf in the larger book case for adult materials.

Library Programs: August-November calendar highlights

- Rebekah announced that Summer Reading ended August 5^{th.} She thanked the Friends for their support of the children's programs.
- August 26th is the final Creative Reuse class with Judith Schonebaum
- September 12th is the Creative Reuse Artist's Reception
- September 30th is the Kid's Halloween Costume Swap
- October 11th Non Sugar Skull Craft for kids
- October 28th Original Foods of Latin America
- In the month of November, Making Sense of Medicare will be offered

Dimond Library Friends' Updates

- Quorum for holding a meeting: The by-laws were checked and a quorum is 1 + the Board
- The minutes of the May 6, 2023 meeting were approved and will be posted to the Friends' website. The Treasury balance will not be posted.
- Oaktoberfest: Signups for working the library booth will be sent out the day after Labor Day.
- Sandy Venning will contact FOPL to find out if they wish to use the Dimond Library's Oaktoberfest table on Sunday October 1, 2023
- Karen Marie Shroeder, Karen Long, and Liz Hendrickson will go to the East Bay Children's Book Project to pick up books to give away at our Oaktoberfest table.
 We need 100 books to give away.
- Stephanie Woodbury and Karen Marie Schroeder will propose thank you letter template for donations.

Volunteer needs:

- Additional volunteers are needed to maintain the garden. Karen Long works in the garden on Friday mornings. Drop-in and ongoing volunteers are needed. The irrigation system is not working and Public Works is responsible to fix and maintain it. \$250 was approved to purchase mulch that is needed for the garden.
- Update of Friends' website: François Korn will coordinate with Mike Dobson to provide online donation capability, display current photos including Sarah Hodgson's retirement party, and posting of meeting minutes.

Financial Report by François Korn, co-Treasurer.

Pending

\$100 Medicinal Tea program

\$2500 Children's performers for the summer reading program (\$1,310 remaining; to return) Many of the programs offered were covered by Children's Services

- \$200 Garden plants
- \$350 Decolonize your Kitchen programs (postponed)
- \$100 Family Yoga Program (to return)
- \$67 Teen and adult program snacks
- \$110 Financial support for people in need (e.g. bus fares / crisis situations)

\$1,915 To supplement adult and teen collection budget

\$350 Original Foods of Latin America program with Carmen Cortez (October)

\$68.22 Video Games for Game Day program

\$164.82 Teen and adult program refreshments

\$2500 Mike Dobson website redesign with donation option

total pending: \$3,325.04

New requests

\$128 Wireless Voice Amplifier with headset for outdoor story time (100 people attending)

\$24.99 Ps5 Controller Charging Station (2)

\$153 Video Games for Game Day

\$250 Gloves and Socks for People in Need

\$250 Mulch for garden

\$300 Prizes for children at Oaktoberfest

Total for New Requests: \$1105.99

Total for New and Pending Requests: \$4,431.03

Next meeting date: Saturday, November 4th from 11 am-1 pm

Meeting adjourned at 12 pm.

Minutes submitted by, Stephanie Woodbury Secretary