

## **Leander Library Foundation Board of Director Meeting Minutes - March 2022**

Attendees - Gary Anderson, Peggy Parish, Mark Timmons, Jason Dikes, Gaylon Edwards and Juan Alanis

A quorum was reached

- Reviewed February 2022 Minutes - all seconded and approved.
- Discussed financial accounts - original foundation "utility" account has been cleared out and balance brought back to "zero." A+ Account balance was \$3,823.54 as of 28 February 2022.
- Financial report was approved.
- Used Bookstore is open three days per week with the help of five volunteers. Will hold off on opening more days until more volunteers are found.
- Square Terminal still needed to be connected to the wi-fi for bookstore use.
- Director's Report given by Peggy Parish - discussed events that occurred were well attended, including storytimes, therapy dog reading program, cooking and craft classes for kids. Planning for Summer Reading Program was underway. Jordan Burt, Public Services Librarian resigned to move to Pittsburgh, PA to be closer to family. This open position should be filled soon as two current library generalists have expressed interest in the position.

### **New Business**

- Discussed book sale for April 9th with set-up planned for April 8th and promotion of sale.

### **Old Business**

- Discussion on doing events on quarterly basis and fundraising goals. Gary stated that social media is currently one of our main avenues for outreach so a high fundraising (Gaylon mentioned \$50,000) goal may be too high at first.
- Gaylon asks whether the library has anyone writing grants. Mark mentioned the Texas Book Fest has grants and Gaylon said he would look into it.
- Discussion on converting our foundation into a "Friends of Library" type of organization and possible benefits of doing so. Mark mentioned that lack of marketing may be a factor of why people are not getting involved. Jason mentioned that it would likely be easier to get people involved with a "Friends of Library" program versus a city appointed board.
- Gaylon asked whether we are soliciting donations as a foundation and what guidelines were. Gary did state we are soliciting donations though there are no specific donation guidelines according to current foundation by-laws.
- Jason said he will put together a draft business cards and brochure for the library foundation.
- Gaylon said he would develop a blueprint for a 12 month plan.

- Gary thanks Gaylon for his insights on "board vs. friends of library" set-up and asks Peggy to bring in a person for next meeting to speak more about how a "Friends of Library" would work.
- Gary adjourned meeting at 6:08pm.