**OCEAN SHORES FRIENDS of the LIBRARY**

**October 14, 2019 Meeting Minutes**

**Attendance:** Denise Siers, Mary Jo Lohrenz, Keitha Owen, Ed Marchbank, Ellen Bagley, Anneka Van Doorninck, Connie Blaze, Pat Braden, Judy Gow, Caroline Ford, Pam Clark, PJ Ford Slack, Debbie Simmons-Day, Sharon Coone, Fran Russell, Sylvia Wilson, Kathy Baker, and Malinda Griffin

**Agenda** – The agenda was approved.

**Minutes** – June minutes unanimously approved with one correction.

**REPORTS**

**Treasurer’s Report** – Mary Jo Lohrenz submitted her financial reports.

**Trustee Report** – Kathy Barker shared that the Board of Trustees is continuing work on the strategic plan. They received a final construction update from Keitha and also her 2020 proposed budget. Nov 13th is the next meeting of the Board.

**Library Director’s Report** – Keitha reported the library has been “wonderfully busy” since the reopening. One example is the Children’s’ Storytime had 14 children, which is a record number!

The pumpkin decorating was another hit, with IGA donating again this year. The oral history project volunteers will be interviewing at least 22 people who are long-term Ocean Shores residents. This project will begin soon.

**Executive Committee Report** – Denise reported that the Executive Committee is working on the budget for 2020. All committee chairs need to get their budget requests to Mary Jo. The group discussed proposed 2020 events. We continue to struggle to find volunteers for all the events at the convention center. We don’t seem to be raising enough funds to make these events worthwhile. The committee recommends looking at other fundraisers instead of doing any events at the convention center in 2020.

Denise also advised that Becky Scott has resigned her position as Vice President for personal reasons.

**Committee Reports**

Festivals and Events – We need volunteers for this committee for next year. If you have ideas, or just want to help, please talk to any member of the Executive Committee.

Membership – Malinda reported that this committee is also looking for members with ideas on attracting more members, especially business members. We also need ideas and workers for updating our membership brochure and application. See Malinda if you are interested.

Bookstore – Mary Jo reported the setup and take down groups have been fantastic. Our next book sale will be on November 8th and 9th. Setup will begin on Friday the 8th at noon. The members-only sale will be from 3pm to 5pm. On Saturday the 9th the bookstore will be open to the public from **10am to 4pm**.

Hospitality – Ellen did a great job setting up the coffee and treats for everyone fo the social time before our meeting. Thanks for that!

**New Business**

**2020 Officer Nominations** – Mary Jo has been working to find members interested in filling the vacancies on the Executive Board. Elections will be held in November at the general meeting on the 11th.

Running for the vacancies are:

President Malinda Griffin

Secretary PJ Ford Slack

Member-at-Large Judy Gow (2-year position)

Member-at-Large Sharon Coone (2-year position)

Member-at-Large Diane Durbin (1-year position)

We are looking for members to fill the remaining year in the Vice President position. See Mary Jo or any other Executive Board member if you have questions or would like to run.

Nominations for all positions will be accepted up until the vote on the 11th. Remember you must be present to vote.

**December Meeting** – We discussed having a general meeting in December, a no-host luncheon at Alec’s by the Sea, or having a potluck at the library. Members supported having the potluck at the library. Ellen, Mary Jo, Fran, and our newest member Caroline will work on this.

**Community News**

Denise said the City Council meeting tonight will include a proclamation for Keitha and the library staff for a well-done job for the library expansion. The meeting will be held at the Shiloh Inn at 6pm and all FOL members are encouraged to attend.

The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes recorded by Malinda Griffin

Next FOL Meeting is scheduled for November 11 at 2pm in the library meeting room.

Please plan to join us for social time at 1:30.