

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY-WAIKOLOA REGION

June 11, 2010, Kau Kau Depot, Waikoloa

CALL TO ORDER:

President Bette Green called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. A quorum was present. Stephanie Stearns passed a sign-in sheet for volunteers to help sort/move books from her garage to bookmobile. New comers Paula Kamiya, retired school librarian; Tanya Craig and daughter, Zoe were welcomed. A donation box and flyer-menus are located on a table near the door.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Sandra Martin read 4/30 minutes. There was one correction GM Whillock's name was misspelled as Willocks. Approved, with correction, by acclamation.

NEXT MEETING:

Scheduled for July 9, 7:00 PM, Kau Kau Depot, Waikoloa.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

FLH Affiliation Report – Bette stated as of 6/4 FLWR is an official affiliate of the Friends of the Library-Hawaii and a non-profit corporation as of 6/1. Copies of all the legal documents were given to treasurer Vivian Green. The previous trade name was rescinded by the State when the domestic non-profit corporation status was approved..

Bookmobile Report – Leonard Librizzi stated he went to Kona Wednesday and replaced the dead batteries in the bookmobile with two new batteries donated by Mr. Zimmerman of Interstate Battery. On Saturday, 6/12, the bookmobile will be removed from storage, loaded on Cantor Bros. low-boy and brought up to the WVA parking lot. The bookmobile will be parked next to the Canoe Club bus because the designated space has not been leveled. Bette assured Leonard that escorts were available to assist with the move to Waikoloa. Pictures will be taken for history and PR purposes.

Grant Writing Workshop – Rachelle Moore, Grant Writing Chairperson, noted on Saturday, 6/19, there will be a workshop for a fee of \$50, at the Waikoloa Elementary School. The attendees will be able to assist in writing a grant for the West HI fund. We need a Library Purpose and Goal Statement for grant writing and PR purposes. Rachelle read statements from other libraries to give us ideas and recommend that we have our statement before the next meeting. Cindy Evans suggested a brainstorming session on 6/25, 6:30 PM, at her home. Sandra Martin will email the link that Rachelle used with a 1-week deadline response back to Rachelle.

Vivian Green noted no feedback from Cindy Evan's associates or Judy Lane's inquiries re available grant monies. She will follow-up and report back.

Bette answered "yes" to Bill Simonsma's inquiry if Waikoloa Village is considered a rural community.

Mike Maddux, Kohala Library Report – Mr. Maddux will be asked to attend our next meeting and to share information about the processes Kohala went through to secure their new library. It was noted that Richard Burns, State Librarian, is trying to get Pahoa's library back up and running. Pahoa's library has expanded beyond its walls and they too want a new library. We will need to contact Mr. Burns; Cindy will help in this effort.

The HI State Public Library System will have to approve any library site and we need to formally request land from WVA. We need to get the requirements for the land from the HI Public Library System. Several of Kohala's parcels were rejected. Cindy will ask Mr. Watanabe to attend a meeting some time prior to the primary election.

Standing Committees – Bette stated the need for the following standing committees:
Grants-Rachelle Moore, Chair, Fundraising-_____, Membership-Stephanie Stearns, Chair; Projects & Programs-_____, P.R.-Sandra Martin, Chair, and Volunteer Coordinator- Cathi Keene. FL-WR pledged to have these committees in the by-laws. Cindy suggested that Sandra Martin, PR Chair, contact Sara Peck for list of media outlets. Rachelle and Vivian volunteered for the Fundraising but a chairperson is still needed. Chairpersons are spokespersons for their committees.

Items from the floor

Summer Community Events - Sandra will ask for a copy of media list. We will need to develop a flyer by 7/17 to hand out at the Skate Park Fundraiser and for the “Talk Story” on 7/23. The Outdoor Circle’s Wili Wili Festival will 8/28 and we hope to participate. Bette will make contact about doing a flyer for the Back to School Bash on 7/31.

Clean Van & Relocate Books - On 7/14, Bette will go to DMV to register and pick up Title. Suggestion was made to look at driving the bookmobile to events at a later date. We would need to find out cost for transition to road ready. This could raise community awareness and visibility. Per Bill S., we have an agreement with WVA to have it hard-wired for electricity and may not be able to move bookmobile. He will talk to Jim and advise us. Bette said she had asked FLH; presently they have no insurance coverage to umbrella us.

ADA compliance on the bookmobile is still indefinite and FLH suggests making accommodations such as a table with an umbrella/awning and have volunteer run books. Due to the limitation of space, a wheelchair would be unable to turn while in van.

Adele Bahl suggested that everyone bring at least one new member to the next meeting.

Vivian asked what vision do members see for the bookmobile i.e. private library, community room, and book exchange/selling? Cindy suggested a brainstorming session for possibilities and offered her residence on 6/25 for FL-WR members only. Rachelle Moore stated that a possible grant will be written by 10/18 and a need to know the exact designations for the grant monies, i.e. computer access to the State HI library.

Question raised re how many books the bookmobile will hold and Stephanie noted 2-3k with the built-in shelves.

Vivian stated bookmobile will need 1) library technician-1day/week, 2) FL-WR be part of State Library System, and 3) Oceanview unable to keep their library running. Cindy stated the library technician could be funded by grant money. Their salary is about \$32k/year with perks, but this will be decision of Head Librarian at one of the libraries.

Cindy suggested FL-WR have a “thank you” party soon to thank all volunteers thus far.

ADJOURNMENT: Sandra moved to adjourn, Bob G. 2nd. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Lane, Secretary

