Friends of the Case-Halstead Library Meeting

February 11, 2017

President Phyllis Bango called the meeting to order with 8 members present. Amy read the minutes from the January 21 meeting. It was agreed that the minutes should be amended to read "the profits were \$1500 gross..." concerning the last Scholastic Book Fair. A motion was made and seconded to approve the amended minutes.

There was no treasurer's report, as the treasurer was absent.

Old Business:

Amy reported that she and Sandy Cain mailed 68 envelopes to encourage new members to join the Friends. There were four returned with incorrect addresses. Those were updated and mailed. There were three paid memberships at the circulation desk and two more given to Amy to pass on to the Treasurer.

Phyllis reported that Keith has chosen a popcorn popper for the Friends to purchase for the library. As soon as possible, the popper will be purchased for \$159 and supplies to make popcorn for approximately \$46.

Following the Showcase Event, Keith booked several programs for ths summer. Since he was absent, there were no titles reported that this group will sponsor. There was a discussion about how business sponsorship of the summer programs has been handled in the past.

The Friends Fun Trivia Night will be tonight in the Maddox Room beginning at 7:00 P.M.. We hope to have enough people for several teams competing.

New Business:

SIUE has teamed up with Case-Halstead Library to present free classes in the Maddox room. The first class will be given on February 23 beginning at 7:30, if enough interested people preregister for "Building a Small Business Website with Wordpress. An Introduction" There are 7 planned classes on the schedule, which is at the circulation desk. Registration is accomplished by calling the library.

Another new addition at the library is called Mango. It entails 70 languages in an immersion program that library card holders may download on their personal devices. A future grant may be sought to fund this ongoing program.

There will be work in the small conference room to improve the sound for presentations using technology. The WIFI in the entire library should be strengthened, also. An additional worker may be hired to work with children.

A future fundraiser at CC Food Mart may be available. A food truck serving hot dogs, brats, and chips could be manned with volunteers from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. on a holiday weekend. The last civic group earned 100% of the proceeds.

Phyllis discussed more Christmas decorations from Pintrest. In October this group may host a crafts get together, in order to make some new decorations for the next holiday season.

The Friends' sponsored December program may begin at 7:00 P.M. on December 2, if a local barbershop chorus can be booked soon.

Future Events at the library:

March 10 - Dr. Who Evening

March 11 - Friends of the Library meeting

March 18 - Friends' Game Night with Potluck @ 6:30 P.M.

March 25 - Casino Night at Bretz's at 7:00 P.M.

Phyllis adjourned the meeting at 11:15 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Burdeau, Secretary