

**Town of Howey-in-the-Hills Library Board Meeting
Marianne Beck Memorial Library
112 W. Central Ave**

Date: **October 5 2017**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Board Member Beth Flack filling in for Chairperson Bob Latshaw.

Attendance: Beth Flack, Rosemary Soto, Pat Vacherlon, Marcia Schneider, Tara Hall, Library Director, JoJo Lowe, President of the Friends of the Library, persons from the community Tahsia O'Keefe, and Fran Wagler.

Minutes: Previous meeting minutes were not available. Subject list from that meeting was presented for discussion of Old Business

Library Director's Report: Refer to attached report.

Old Business:

Chili Cook Off:

There had been discussion of a chili cook off at the Christmas Festival in lieu of a cookie contest. It was not certain if this was being pursued by the Festival Committee. The next meeting is October 10th and Tara and JoJo will be attending.

Cookie Contest:

Discussion regarding another cookie contest and offering for donations ensued. It was decided a coordinator was needed now to facilitate the event. Beth Flack offered to get the previous year's participant list and recruit a coordinator. If the contest event is pursued there will be two categories for judging, best overall for decorated and best over all for undecorated cookies. The offering for donations would be for a patron to select a dozen cookies for the donation amount to be determined, and gift certificates for the winners. Entries would need to be for 3 dozen cookies plus 3 cookies for judging.

T-Shirt Fund Raiser:

The idea of a T-shirt sale to raise money for the addition was again discussed. Opinions were divided on whether this would be a viable money maker. The idea was tabled for now.

Get To Know Your Town Event:

The event took place at the library with 100 people participating. Local businesses and representative from the City were on hand to provided information about services and products. The Friends of the Library also had a table with membership forms and information to encourage use of the facilities. Parks and Recreation sponsored the event also providing information about up coming city events.

New Business:

Artists Open House:

The event is scheduled for October 27th as a meet and greet for local artists and those participating in the displays at the Library. Currently there are quilts on display.

The annual Community yard sale will once again take place on the time change weekend. The Friends of the Library will again offer space for citizens to set up on the Central Plaza for a donation of \$5.00. Participants need to bring their own table and set up. The hours will be 8am to 2 pm. Poster will be placed in the library and local businesses with permission.

Public Comments: Ms. Wagler and Mrs. O'Keefe both participated in the discussions contributing ideas and helpful suggestions .

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A motion to adjourn was made by Beth Flack, seconded by Rosemary Soto and the motion carried.
The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Schneider

Marcia Schneider, Secretary

(electronically signed)

 Robert J. Hartsch
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