Meeting of the Friends of Union County Library Union County Public Library Community Room July 18, 2018

Friends in Attendance:

Judith Baldwin, Pres Jackie Volk, VP Susie Brendle, Libr Debra Davis

Evelyn Lamar, Sec Wanda B. Gibson Barbara Hale Sally Woodworth, Trea Sarah Partain Dottie Byrd

The meeting was called to order by Judy Baldwin at 2:03pm.

Representative from Ferst Foundation was not able to attend today. Judy has donation check for \$360 and will deliver and relays their thanks.

<u>The minutes</u> from April 18th were reviewed and approved.

Treasurer Sally Woodworth presented the report. \$1272 was made at bake and book sale. A total of \$4175 has been accepted as membership income. Report was reviewed and approved. A copy is available upon request.

<u>Librarian</u> Susie Brendle reported on summers activities. Funds provided by Friends used so far are for children's summer reading program; \$345 on performers for summer programs, \$575 for general supplies and materials, \$242 for books & materials, \$551 for magazines & newspapers. The reading programs are going well, 169 children & teens, with 910 total children and adults in attendance during the 8 weeks. The program ends July 23 with a pizza party.

The Lego Club ends in August.

The \$1000 quarterly donation to the library will purchase periodicals in August.

As some employees are on leave and have left employment, the Library will be taking applications for employment.

Committees

Membership reported we have 141 total memberships purchased in all categories. \$4175 income **Newsletter** is Great! Connie does a terrific job. Very impressive for local group. We might consider moving distribution up to after quarterly meeting in order to promote meeting times and activities. Publicity about the group is published most every two weeks in NoGaNews.

Old Business

- Member's only night at book sale 5/10 was disappointing. Only 5-7 people showed up to purchase books. \$5 used books considered too expensive. Consideration for bake sale only in the future. \$1272 collected from the book and bake sale. Visibility in library was very high during collection of books. We had 7 new memberships during this sale.
- Tour of Moss Memorial Library in Hayesville on 6/20 was lightly attended, but a good report was given by Judy of their store, atmosphere, saleable items, etc. She shared information on how they started their store and suggested we might consider incorporating the idea in future library plans. She brought back complimentary gift certificates to be used at Moss.
- Jackie reported on the Adult Summer reading program. About 75 people are active. It seems very successful. Decisions to be made on when to have another program. Friends received

donations of gift certificates and gift cards from Alexander's, Sunflowers, Home Depot, Chick Filet, Hallmark Cards and Huddle House.

- Susie reported that we received recognition at the Library Board meeting for the summer program funds mentioned above.
- Sally reported on a web page that will be set up in near future by a member at no charge.

New Business

- August 23 speaker to end summer reading program, Jayne Brechbill, known as 'The Fossil Lady'.
 4PM
- National Friends of Libraries Week, Oct 21-27, will be publicized by committee of Judy, Wanda & Sally. Promotion of new membership can be done that week. Get County Commissioner to proclaim that week as NFLW in Union County and put in NoGaNews. Possibly have small social/coffee to celebrate.
- Nominating committee for 2019 officers has been working and a slate will be presented on October 17, Thursday. and elections will be at annual November 15 (a Thursday) meeting. Review the membership list and inquire about them possibly running for office. Debra Davis volunteered to be the spokesperson to present slate for elections.
- Christmas Party is being worked on by Sally Woodworth.
- Fall Calendar. Barbara discussed having a Christmas Trash & Treasurers sale with emphasis on quantity not quality with low prices. Possibly Nov 2-3 Fri & Sat. Eliminating large items as trees and lights. Project chairpersons are Barbara & Judy w/Sarah helping. Collect every Tue & Sat in October.
- Thanksgiving bake sale will be Nov 20, 10-2pm.

Judy asked for discussion on donating to Vince Stone's projects. Consensus was that consideration for puppet show donations will be qualified depending on the needs of the event. Friends prefers to promote literacy. We will check on his Christmas show and possibly discuss book donation. Discussion about newsletter being mailed out to people who do not have internet services. Judy thanked everyone for ideas and volunteering.

Next Quarterly meeting will be October 15 and as always, the membership will be invited to come. We will start calling these quarterly membership meetings to clarify that they are not board meetings. This quarterly meeting was very productive.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:47pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Evelyn B. Lamar, Sec.