

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARIES, KONA BOARD MEETING MINUTES – December 21, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by President Pamela Wang. In attendance were Barbara Sosna, Barbara Isley, Ken Guerra, Marilyn Koschella, Joyce, Kimble, Alice Goo, Shirley David, and Librarian Irene Horvath. Absent: Shani Dutton, Bev Stehley, and Kipapa Kahelahela

MINUTES: The November 15 meeting minutes were read by Shirley David. **MSA** as read.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The November income and expense statement was emailed to members. F.O.L.K. net worth as of November 30 is \$37,667.41. Barbara noted the receipt of \$409.93 from the Give Aloha program of Sak-n-Save. She also said that currently F.O.L.K. has a \$225 gift certificate for Amazon.com from accumulated Visa points received from Amazon purchases using the F.O.L.K. Visa card.

NOMINATIONS: The board met as a nominating committee of the whole to discuss the nominations for the upcoming annual meeting. Pamela reminded the board that Bev Stehley will be stepping down from her Vice President of Programs position. There will be a vacancy in the V.P. position if nobody is elected to fill the position at the annual meeting. All other board members are nominated to serve in their current positions as the slate that will be put forth at the annual meeting.

PROGRAMS: If a program vice president is not elected, individual board members will need to propose and coordinate the programs they propose. Pamela urged board members to come forward with program suggestions. Joyce said that Ken Love asked her which program topic to present; "Buying Local" or "Exotic Hawaiian Fruits." The board chose "Exotic Hawaiian Fruits."

BOOK CLUB: The December book club selection is *Molokai*. Instead of a cookie exchange this year, participants were asked to bring non-perishable food items for the St. Michael the Archangel food pantry. Barbara bought a cookie tray from Costco to serve during the meeting. The book club selections card for 2011 will be distributed at the meeting. Senator Josh Green will be the guest author at the October meeting.

Faith May requested that the board fund one CD copy of the book club selections for use of book club members who cannot read the books. Currently there are three members who would listen to the books on CD if they were available.

Resolved: One CD copy of each month's book club selection will be purchased for seeing impaired members. The CD's will be offered to the library system after the book club no longer required the CD first to Kailua-Kona then Kealahou. CD's will be purchased using the Amazon.com gift certificates. **MSA**

HISTORIAN: Marilyn will contact Ruth Savakinas to complete the Historian's book for 2010.

BOOKS ARE BUILDING BLOCKS: Bev completed the BBB procedures manual. Shirley shadowed Bev during the December session. Shirley will be coordinating the January – March BBB programs. There was a large group of teens at the December session. It was decided to give DVD rental coupons as reading prizes to the teens. Joyce will print up a sheet of coupons. Shirley also will ask Lynette for rubber bracelets. The BBB ads will run in West Hawaii Today on the Wednesday before the monthly session. The next session is January 4 and will have a space theme in honor of the Challenger's 25th anniversary.

WAYS AND MEANS: There was no lanai book sale in December. There is currently a two week \$1 sale on hardbound books. The 2011 lanai sale dates are: January 8, February 12, March 12, April 9, May 14, June 18, July 9, and November 12. The October sale will be set after we know the date of Ironman.

MEMBERSHIP: Membership is currently at 206. Alice thinks we will stay above 200 because renewals are higher than usual. Between the November and December meetings the board discussed purchasing "Fans of the Library" fans to distribute at the annual meeting. Pamela showed a F.O.L.K. logo refrigerator magnet that a local artist made as a sample. She will sell F.O.L.K. the magnets for 50¢. The board decided to take no action.

PUBLICITY: The Mauna Lani Charity Tree displays will be closing on December 22 at 6 pm. Board members were encouraged to see the display and vote for the F.O.L.K tree. Barbara Isley will be sending in the newspaper ads early. Email Joyce with *Orchid* submissions by Wednesday.

LIBRARIAN REQUESTS:

IRENE: the Kealakehe High School Glee Club will be singing Christmas Carols at noon at the Kailua Kona Public Library on December 21. Ronald McDonald will be presenting a one hour program at the library on January 19. Denise will prepare a West Hawaii Today ad when we receive publicity from McDonald's. Count week went well. All volunteers appeared at their appointed times.

Requested: Not to exceed \$186 young adults music CD's. **MSA** The board requested that the books be purchased on the Amazon.com library account.

Discretionary funds:

Resolved: 2011 Budget: Two \$500 discretionary fund allotments each for Kailua Kona Public Library and Kealakekua Public Library totaling \$2000. **MSA**

NEW BUSINESS:

Barbara Isley requested funds to attend the Friends of the Library of Hawaii annual meeting and affiliates' meeting in Honolulu on February 24-25. Friends of the Library of Hawaii will pay registration and travel expenses for one person from each affiliate.

Resolved: Allocate up to \$50 for food and transportation expenses for Barbara Isley to attend the Friends of the Library of Hawaii annual meeting.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Board meeting – Tuesday, January 11, 2011 at 9:00 am.

Annual meeting – Tuesday, January 25, 2011 at 10 am with bookclub meeting to follow.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

Prepared by Shirley David, Secretary