



Meeting Details

Date & Time	September 19, 2024 6:30PM
Venue:	Benbrook Library Meeting Room
Attendees:	Steve Cobb, Richard Reese, Karla Reese, Bridgett Adrian, Claudette Huddleston, Russell Kegley

Agenda Details

Call to Order
Minutes Approval(s)
Reports - Financials
Financial Business A. Storage Unit 20% Discount B. Better Impact Renewal C. North Texas Giving Day Update
Other Business A. Book Sale Volunteers & Prep B. Library Updates
Adjournment

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: Steve Cobb, President, opened the meeting at 6:35 PM.

Minutes Approval: Minutes from the August meeting were approved by acclamation.

Reports: Financials – Richard Reese presented the August financial report. Net revenue to the Friends for June totaled \$793.80, led by strong sales to Texas Book Consignments of \$537.93. When all outlets for book sales (DeClutter, Texas Book Consignments, eBay, Sell Back Your Books, and the Bookstore) are taken as a group, revenue from book sales totaled \$3551

year to date; averaged over the 8 month period yields monthly revenue of \$444. Expenses for August were \$569.93, the biggest payment being a reimbursement for shelf dolly expenses of and shelf storage unit rental of \$186.40. Financial report was approved as read.

In further news, Karla Reese reported that she had completed the Friends 990-EZ IRS filing and had uploaded it electronically. Many thanks to her for her hard work and research to get this important tax report completed.

Financial Business: A. Storage Unit 20% Discount – In talking with the manager at the Benbrook Antique Mall storage facility, Russell discovered the business will give a 20% monthly discount for pre-paying rental a year in advance. After some discussion, we agreed that we would begin doing this with the calendar year in January 2025.

B. Better Impact Renewal – Bridgett presented the invoice for Better Impact, the membership management tool used by the Friends. The total of \$552.00 was approved; Bridgett will work with the Treasurer to pay this electronically.

C. North Texas Giving Day Update – Bridgett checked just before the meeting was glad to announce the contributions at that time totaled \$1,250, of which the next revenue to the Friends (less expenses) will be \$1,218.90. Registration for NTXGD was \$50.00, so this is a great payoff on that investment.

Other Business: A. Book Sale Volunteers and Prep – the Fall Friends Book Sale is scheduled to begin setup Wednesday, October 30 and extend through Thursday, October 31, with the actual operation Friday November 1 through Sunday November 3. Bridgett has had about 5 teens contact the library hoping to log community service hours helping with the book sale; her thought is to concentrate on having them help with teardown the afternoon & early evening of Sunday, November 3, to not conflict with school schedules. We might also be able to employ volunteers on Wednesday October 30, if we can coordinate the window between their school dismissal (nominally around 3:45 PM) and the Antique Mall storage unit closure at 5:45 PM. If we get students to go directly to the storage unit, a distance of about a mile, we should have enough labor & time to load the storage unit contents on a rental truck or trailer, then unload into the Library meeting room. Bridgett says she will also check with the Benbrook Fire Department to see if their off-duty staff might help out.

B. Library Updates – Bridgett updated the group on upcoming library business. The Library will close September 27 for a staff development day. The courier van used as part of MetroShare will have a new decal wrap applied. Heritage Fest will be September 28; all Friends members are invited to drop by.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:27 PM