

**Friends of the Socorro Public Library
Annual Meeting Minutes
January 27, 2018**

The Annual Meeting was called to order at 1:05pm in the Alice Kase Room of the Socorro Public Library by President Julie Johnson. Also present were Peg Hardman Pat Mills, Kay Krehbiel, Chelsea Lyons, J. Coursey, Ruth White, Allan Sauter and Gerryl Sebastian.

President Johnson called for the approval of last year's minutes. It was voted and approved by unanimous vote to approve last year's minutes with no corrections.

President Johnson presented the state of the organization report. She reviewed the accomplishments of the past year including 3 newsletters, 11 book sales, distribution of books to various organizations. Dorothy Brooks was recognized for her tireless volunteering. The organization of the book room was explained as well as some of the pros and cons associated with the layout. Book sales strategies that have been tried in the past 1 ½ years were explained as well as their performance.

Assistant Librarian Chelsea Lyons gave the Library Director Report. She presented the funding requests for the year 2018 as follows:

RIF	\$1500
SRP	\$800
Santa Visit	\$300
Holi	\$100
Cinco De Mayo	\$125
SRP Kickoff	\$350
Day of the Dead	\$125
Total	\$3300

She noted that the library may need volunteers to staff its after school programs. President Johnson said she would look into the requirements and put the information in the next Friends newsletter.

The yearly Treasurer's Report was presented as follows:

Total in Bank	\$10525.08
Aerojet Grant	\$601.61
Available Funds	\$9923.47
Distributed to SPL	\$3225.14
2017 Income	\$2994.55

OLD BUSINESS

President Johnson discussed the past year's progress working to get a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in place with the city, library and the Friends. There was no forward progress as the Mayor and Library Director showed no interest in such a document even though most organizations are required to have one when working closely with government institutions. Everyone agrees this issue should be pursued. As a side note, the subject of why the library stopped donating books to the Friends 1 ½ years ago was asked and Ms. Lyons said it was because the Friends had no storage. President Johnson reminded Ms. Lyons that the Friends did have storage and had noted that to the Director in the past. She also noted that it would be more efficient for the library to donate the books to the Friends rather than storing, sorting and donating them as that is exactly what the Friends already do. Ms. Lyons said she would look into it.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President Johnson called for the election of the 2018 officers. She withdrew her name from the ballot as president. Pat Mills was nominated and elected president. Peg Hardman was nominated and re-elected vice-president. There was a discussion on whether to combine Secretary and Treasurer and that was approved. Julie Johnson was nominated and elected Secretary-Treasurer.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15pm by Vice-president Hardman.

Julie Johnson
Secretary-Treasurer