FINANCES: $16,149.52 current balance.

OLD BUSINESS:

(1) NO BLING FLING: To be put off till next year due to lack of new items and poor quality of leftover items. Please start collecting appealing looking jewelry, scarves-hats-gloves/mittens, ties, purses/wallets, fancy little mirrors and picture frames, etc.

(2) CHILDREN’S BOOK FEST was a Huge success with over 300 in attendance. One family drove all the way from Pittsburgh (8 hour round trip) so their 8 year old boy could meet his favorite author and buy several of his books. This year each family was limited to winning one book basket apiece, resulting in NO Tears under the new policy. Local schools participating were Frank Knight, Cady Stanton, Fingerlakes Christian, and Bible Baptist School.

(3) TOTE BAGS PICKED: After examining all the samples brought by Meghan, members present voted to purchase 100 totes from Shop And Store in dark green with the official library logo in white. Our cost is $1.72 each and they will be sold for $5 each at the Circulation Desk and all FRIENDS events and fundraisers.

(4) SHELF MARKERS ALSO BOUGHT: Meghan was able to find some less expensive shelf markers for wooden shelves. On a motion by Barb Siegfried and a second by Beverly Smith members present voted to purchase 130 Wood Shelf Ticket Holders from Grand & Benedicts for now with more as needed. The markers are in library colors like the totes – dark green background with engraved white lettering. MC unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

(1) SECOND ANNUAL CUPCAKE WAR Saturday July 22 from Noon – 2 PM. FRIENDS able to bake are asked to bake 2 – 3 dozen cupcakes and email Meghan or sign up on the Signup Sheet at the Circulation Desk. All cupcakes should be brought to the library by 5 PM the day
before (Friday July 21.) 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Prizes will be awarded in each of 3 Categories; Taste, Presentation, and Baker’s Choice. There is no entry fee to compete.

Cupcakes will sell for $3 each, 6 for $12, and a dozen for $20. Containers will be furnished by the library. There will also be a 50/50 Raffle and a free veggie tray and water will be available.

(2) DOUG’S FISH FRY will host a library fundraiser at the library early in September.

(3) CHILDREN’S LUNCHES will be provided at the library 2 days per week from July 10 – August 11 with food provided by the SFCSD during summer children’s programs. Please email Children’s Librarian Tara Montoney if able to help serve lunches.

(4) ANIMAL ROCK STARS FROM FARMINGTON: The Rosen Foundation which previously funded this program has a brand new Board of Trustees and did not fund the program this year but the Animal Rock Stars came anyway for free. The animal handlers are brain injured and the group is a non profit helping both animals and brain disabled people. Joyce Lohr and family attended the earlier program and was very enthusiastic about it. On a motion by Ginny Konz and a second by Betty Kouwe members present voted to donate the cost of the program ($250) back to the Rock Stars. MC unanimously.

WISH LIST: Board President Marty Toombs is researching details and cost of a permanent digital electronic sign for in front of the library to advertise all library programs and events. Electricity is already in an underground cable and the sign can be turned off at night, thus eliminating lugging heavy wooden signs in and out. HDC approval is probably not difficult to get. FRIENDS might be asked to pay half the cost. More details to follow at a future meeting.

FYI: Meghan got a $1000 grant from Dollar General to expand the Summer Bookmobile Program with book scanners and special books. Snacks will be provided by the SFCSD.

NEXT FRIENDS MEETING TUESDAY JULY 18 AT 7 PM just before The Cupcake War so last minute details of this fun and tasty fundraiser can be worked out. Hope to see you there.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cramer, Secretary