FRIENDS OF THE CASA GRANDE LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING Vista Grande Library, October 13, 2025

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Meeting ID: 875 2128 1190, Passcode: 389149

Present: Grace McMillin, Bev Reidy, Tina Packard, Sue Reeves (Zoom), Amber Kent (library), Heather Ouellet, Mary Jane Cedar Face, Bonnie Warren, Michael Ouellet, Richard Flechtner, Lisa Morris-Wilkey (Zoom)

Absent: Sue Eberle, Jody Wendt, Barb Brown

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Introductions and Welcome any guests
- 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting September 8, 2025 Grace moved to approve. Second by Bonnie. Approved.
- 4. Treasurer's Report (Bonnie Warren)
 Bonnie submitted the Treasurer's Report for the record. Bonnie is moving the GoDaddy budget line to the Website Management line. We are now using Enterprise Bank and Trust, formerly First Interstate. Next, we will order checks.
- 0. Book Sale Discussion (Bonnie Warren)
 - a. Big book sale

Bonnie would like to do another book sale at Main before Christmas. We will put out book bundles and have a book sale. Set up will be Tuesday night, December 2, after the library closes. Amber will have youth to assist. The sale will run Wednesday through Saturday.

b. Online book sales

Michael is phasing out online sales gradually. With the evolving online book market, sales and profits have slowed. He canceled his membership with Biblio and is phasing out sales on eBay. It will be just Amazon for a while with plans to phase out completely by the end of the year. Bonnie had email conversations with Jason Peterson from the Friends of the Phoenix Public Library to explore the possibility of selling our more expensive books through them.

0. Librarian's Report (Amber Kent)

MPLA Conference. MPLA was in North Dakota this year. Amber toured the Grand Forks Public Library and loved it. She came home with great programming ideas, tips for working with legislators, and humorous anecdotes. Keynote speakers included R.L. Stine and Laura Numeroff.

Main Library Projects. Amber met with Facilities and learned that the Main Library's HVAC project is off to a slow start. The project will not begin in January as planned. The earliest possible start date is March, which is close to Summer Reading. The library may hold off until after the Book Fair in July, but that might mean a long hot summer. A decision will be made soon, and the library will let everyone know the

plan. Since the library is no longer closing in January, the library is moving forward with the new furniture and circulation desk projects. Quotes have come in from three companies for review.

Electric Light Parade. The library bookmobile will be the Grand Marshal at the Electric Light Parade.

Vista Grande Book Sale. Library staff relocated the Friends Book Sale at the Vista Grande Library closer to the circulation desk to take advantage of higher foot traffic.

- O. President's Report (Tina Packard)
 - a. Membership fees effective January 1st, 2026
 We previously voted to raise the individual fee from \$15 to \$20 and the family fee from \$30 to \$35, and to remove the vendor fee which is no longer needed.
 - b. Membership Form revamp.
 The revamp of the membership form is in progress. In the past, Minute Press printed our forms with envelopes. Tina will follow up with Minute Press.
- By-laws review. Copies available through Google Drive. Final review before November meeting. Make comments on the shared document. <u>BYLAWS 2025</u> Postponed.
- 9. New Business
 - a. Halloween Storytime, October 29 at Main at 10 a.m.
 As in past years, FOL members were invited to give candy to trick-or-treaters attending Halloween Storytime. Bonnie, Tina, and MJ plan to be there.
 - b. United States Semiquincentennial (America250)— Memory project Activities are happening around the country to celebrate the 250th birthday of the country. Tina proposed developing a Library Memory Project. People can be asked to submit their memories of the role of libraries in their lives. This can be done via the web and in other ways. For example, we can hand out forms at our big book sale. Everyone liked the idea. Tina will follow up.
 - c. Book sale prices

We discussed charging \$1 for all paperbacks and raising the price of children's books. Members preferred keeping paperback prices the same and using better signage to illustrate the difference between mass and trade paperbacks. We will revisit increasing the prices of children's books.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:41 p.m.

Next meeting: November 11, 2025, at 5 p.m. at Vista Grande