

2011 Friends Meeting Minutes
January 11, 2011

Attendees:

Paula Highfill, President	Annette Weber
Diane Kelly, Treasurer	Steve Standefer
Kathy Buehner, 1 st Vice-President	Stacey Guttmann
Carol Ann Grantham, Secretary	Robert Lee
Beverly Frank	Cris Slimak

1. Minutes	The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM. Kathy moved that the minutes from the previous meeting be approved as written. Paula seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
2. Treasurer's Report	<p>Diane presented the reports for November, December and the year-end report. The expenses for November were for TLA dues for Kathy and for two copies of the John Howard Griffin video, AUncommon Vision.® December expenses were for ALTAFF dues and for the Literary Landmark plaque. We ended 2010 with a net loss of \$2,302.26. Kathy moved that the reports be accepted, the motion was seconded by Cris, and it passed unanimously.</p> <p>Paula expressed her appreciation for Diane=s service as Treasurer and the time and effort she puts into preparation of the financial reports. Paula=s sentiments were echoed by all present.</p>
3. Librarian's Report	Steve reported that Wednesday, January 12, is the first Board meeting of the year. The Library has prepared a Awish list@ for 2011. This item will be placed on the agenda for the February meeting.
4. President's Report	<p>§ Web site: Pam has done a terrific job with our web site. Paula encouraged us all to visit the site to see for ourselves. There are many new things.</p> <p>§ Texas Book Consignments: The program is working out very well for us. The company representative lets us know when he is coming, comes and takes what he wants, and then sends us a check for our portion of what he sells.</p> <p>§ Legislative Day: Legislative Day is February 16, 2011. It takes place during the state legislative session. This day is when library supporters can go and talk to their state legislators in person and encourage them to continue supporting libraries at all</p>

	<p>levels. More information can be found at the web site, www.txla.org/legislateday. We can also send an email to our legislators. Talking points can be found on the web site.</p> <p>§ NTLP Conference: The 3rd annual North Texas Conference for Library Supporters is scheduled for Saturday, February 19, 2011, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM in Decatur, Texas. Paula and Jenny attended last year=s conference and were very excited about what they learned. This year=s theme is AReaching Out After Recession! (R.O.A.R.). There are many good topics. Anyone interested in going and carpooling can contact the Friends via email.</p>
<p>5. Unfinished Business</p>	<p>§ Friends Bookmarks: The draft prepared by Bob Grantham was edited. A new version will be reviewed at the next meeting.</p> <p>§ Mansfield Reads!: Jenny could not attend today=s meeting. We will meet at 5:00 PM on Tuesday, January 18, to finish planning this event.</p> <p>§ ALA Literary Landmark Designation: The film maker has been invited to attend the dedication which will take place on February 27. The Farr Best Theater has volunteered to show the video. The preliminary schedule is to show the video at 2:00 PM, then the dedication and reception will take place at the Library at 4:00 PM.</p>
<p>6. New Business</p>	<p>§ Social Networking Sites: The advantages of Facebook were discussed. The key to being successful is having someone who can post on a regular basis. Paula will talk to Pam about setting up a Facebook page.</p> <p>§ Membership Drive: The best response for previous drives was to enclose a self-addressed envelope in the letter. A work session for sending out the letters was scheduled for Tuesday, January 18, at 4:00 PM. Paula will update the brochure and the letter. Annette will make copies of the brochure to enclose with the letter.</p>
<p>7. Adjourn</p>	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 PM. The next regular meeting will be on February 8, 2011.</p>