

City of Denton

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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Library ACM: Christine Taylor

DATE: November 22, 2022

SUBJECT

Receive an informational report and hold a discussion regarding the Friends of the Denton Public Libraries.

BACKGROUND

The Friends of the Denton Public Libraries is a nonprofit organization that supports the Denton Public Library through community service and fundraising to provide materials and equipment to improve and extend Library services. This report provides an update on the organization's activities and fundraising efforts.

The Executive Board of the Friends of the Denton Public Libraries met Thursday, October 13, at 5:30 p.m. During the meeting, the Board discussed 2023 Book Sale Dates and the \$20 book bag price. As part of the Library Director's Report, Jennifer Bekker gave an update on 2022 outstanding Friends funded projects (Exhibit 2) and requested to delay a 2023 funding request until the end of the year since so many 2022 projects are still outstanding. Traditionally, the library makes its funding request at the October Friends Board meeting and the request is voted on at the January meeting. The Board approved that the library will submit its 2023 funding requests in December via e-mail. The Board will then discuss the requests and vote on the funding requests at the January 2023 meeting. Teen Librarian, Rachel Reeves, also spoke about a fundraising and awareness opportunity with her January and February Lyla Lee author events. The publishers allow the author's titles to be purchased by the Friends at a deep discount and then sold during the author events for retail cost. The Friends would be able to keep any profits. The Friends voted to move forward and have the books ordered for the events and have a Friends member at the event to sell the books for the author signing.

2022 Friends Big Book Sales (in North Branch Meeting Room):

Saturday, November 12 10 a.m.-4 p.m. with 9:15-10 a.m. Friends member early access

2023 Friends Big Book Sales (in North Branch Meeting Room)

Saturday, February 4 Saturday, May 13 Saturday, August 12 Saturday, October 14

EXHIBITS

- Agenda Information Sheet-Friends
 2022 Friends Funded Project Updates

Respectfully submitted: Jennifer Bekker Director of Libraries

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