

FRIENDS OF THE PATTERSON LIBRARY MINUTES
January 13, 2014

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President, Peter La Torre, at 2:45 in the library conference room.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Olga Cardenas, Trudy DeGroot, Sue Henderson, Peter La Torre, Wanda Lohman, Ronna Lubker, Grace McCord, Donna Miller, Judy Mullins, Carol Schuler, Melinda Sword

MINUTES: The minutes of the November 11, 2013 meeting were read and Grace made a motion to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Ronna and motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treas., Sue Henderson, reported that the balance as of November 11, 2013, was \$2,344.34. After expenses and deposits, the balance as of December 31, was \$2,200.35. This does not include the cash box of \$80 and the CD of \$2,191.33.

Sue also had a yearly summary for 2013 with the breakout of all our expenses and deposits for the year. Deposits totaled \$4,229.61 and expenses were \$3,327.62.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT: Olga thanked the Friends for petty cash which she uses for crafts and unforeseen expenses during the year. The story time program has changed, so she will be using more petty cash.

She thanked us for the See's Candy which we gave to the library staff for Christmas.

Olga reported that Ann Marie Montgomery, Branch Supervisor for the Stanislaus Co. Library System is replacing Charles Teval who moved to Wisconsin

She said that the children's Story Time Program has added Wiggle Worms on Monday mornings, which is for children ages 0-2 because we have a lot of families with toddlers who have been going to the Turlock Library. The Preschool Story Time is on Tuesday mornings for ages 3-5. She also presented a flyer with the craft programs that are planned thru March.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT (continued):

Olga said the library's reference room wasn't being used and has been transformed into a play and learn room for parents and toddlers to use for educational activities. The library provides the materials they need. She reported that the library received a \$2,000 mini-grant from The Dollar General Literacy Foundation as part of Everyone Reads. \$1,000 will be used to buy new books and \$1,000 to start a book club and multi-cultural program for children.

Olga said the library has a special volunteer who is assisting with computer instruction and will be conducting computer classes in Spanish for adults only (4 classes per month for the next 3 months). They would like to find a volunteer to teach classes in English also. They hope to eventually have a computer lab in the room next door to our meeting room.

She said there is a bulletin board as you come into the library that she would like to dedicate to the Friends of the Library. We can put flyers, etc. on the board to bring more awareness of the Friends.

Olga said the library received a private donation of \$1,000, which will be used to buy teen furniture for the library. She would like to divert the movie licensing fee that we usually give and use that amount toward the teen furniture (which would be \$500 more). Ronna made a motion that we give the 500; Wanda seconded and motion passed.

She had one more request for \$400 to purchase new books to give away at the Day of the Child event, which will be held in April. She said that last year this event was attended by almost 500 people. Sue made a motion that we give the library \$400 to buy these books; Wanda seconded and motion passed.

YEARLY MEMBERSHIP MAILINGS: Some members came to the meeting early today to help Sue mail out approximately 300 membership envelopes along with a copy of our achievements for 2013 in each one.

BOOK SALE REPORT: Trudy said the book sale dates for this year are April 15, 16, 17 & 21 and October 14, 15, 16 & 20.

The Salida Library had a request for books for their book sale in the Modesto Bee, so it was decided to give them the books that we had left over from our last book sale.

Donna said she will put the dates for our book sale on Book Sale Finder.com.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Peter read a sympathy card from Vanessa and the Modesto Library for the passing of Marilynne.

NEW BUSINESS: There was discussion regarding some kind of memorial for Marilynne. Peter said he received an email from Sue with some suggestions. He asked for a committee to meet to come up with some ideas as to what we can do. Donna Miller, Judy Mullins and Olga Cardenas volunteered to be on the committee.

OLD BUSINESS: Mr. David Guzman from Patterson High School and student volunteers are supposed to come after school today to help sort and carry books for us. In order to have the students come and help us every month, we will need to change the time of our meetings. Sue made a motion that we change our meeting times to 2:00 PM the second Monday of each month. The motion was seconded by Trudy and motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:30 PM to sort books.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Mullins, Secretary