

FRIENDS OF THE PATTERSON LIBRARY MINUTES
May 12, 2014

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President, Peter La Torre, at 2:35 PM in the library conference room.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pat Burch, Trudy DeGroot, Sue Henderson, Peter LaTorre, Judy Mullins, Wayne Philbrook, Carol Schuler

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

MINUTES: The minutes of the April 14, 2014 meeting were read and approved as read.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treas., Sue Henderson, reported that the balance as of April 14 was \$2,154.52. After expenses and deposits, the balance as of May 12, 2014 is \$2,760.65. We made \$966 at the spring book sale. The balance of the Marilynne Memorial Scholarship Fund (after taking out the \$500.00 scholarship to Pride for this year) is \$466.59.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT: Wayne said that Diane McDonald is the new county librarian, replacing Vanessa, who will start work in June. He reported that the library now has e-magazines, in addition to the e-books, for downloading from the county library. They have about 51 e-magazines and the magazines do not expire like the books do. He said they moved the Friends book carousel to a more convenient location in the lobby.

The summer reading program starts May 24th and they already have the baskets for the prizes, which are on display in the library.

The teen furniture has arrived in Modesto and should be delivered soon.

He has no requests for money, etc. today.

BOOK SALE REPORT: Trudy said she had nothing to report. Peter said that since our sales have been declining, he suggested that we send out letters to our lifetime members and people who have been coming to the book sales reminding them about each upcoming book sale a couple of weeks in advance.

BOOK SALE REPORT (continued):

Peter also suggested that since we usually have a lot of books left over after our two sales, maybe we should consider having a third book sale. There was discussion and it was suggested that maybe we could have it in January and then one in May and October. Peter said maybe Trudy, Pat & Sue could get together and discuss a third book sale during the year and report back at our meeting in August. It was suggested also that we should advertise on Facebook, etc.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Peter reported that the county library Calendar of Events for May is available in the library.

He had copies of an email from Susan Lily from the Modesto Library requesting help/donations for the Library booth at the County Fair on Kids' Day, July 17, at which they have a children's book giveaway. Sue made a motion that we donate \$100 to the book giveaway. Motion was seconded by Judy and passed.

They are also looking for help to staff the booth at the Fair if anyone is interested.

NEW BUSINESS: The county library is working on a progressive community novel called *Ashes in a Teardrop*, which is set in Stanislaus County. It is being written by 15 local authors and a new chapter is released every Tuesday on the library website. When it is finished, the book will be published and there will be other related events such as art contests, a bake-off, etc.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:10 PM. Book sorting is not needed. Next meeting is August 11 at 2:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Mullins, Secretary