

FRIENDS OF THE PATTERSON LIBRARY MINUTES
March 9, 2009

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Pres., Marilynne Allen, at 1:05 PM in the library building.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marilynne Allen, Pat Burch, Margaret Castro, Trudy deGroot, Cathie Ferreira, Sher Grotts, Sue Henderson, Elly Lanfranki, Pete LaTorre, Ronna Lubker, Sandy McDowell, Donna Miller, Judy Mullins, Faith Osteen, Carol Schuler, Kay Swift and Librarian, Kelly Thompson

New Members: Marilynne introduced two new members, Sher Grotts and Donna Miller, who had been at our last meeting and Dr. Pete LaTorre who is joining us today.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT: Kelly, Patterson Librarian, reported that the teen programs, which we help fund, are becoming very successful with more and more teens attending. Last month 22 attended a teen games night. She has received about 10 books and 7 or 8 CDs, which she ordered with money we had donated. She brought some of the books and CDs for us to see. She said she needs to talk to Sue regarding magazine subscriptions. Some of them she wants to discontinue, such as Sports Illustrated, which has almost doubled in price, and add others such as MAD KIDS. There was some discussion about the magazine and Donna asked if we could see a sample of it before we subscribe to it. Kelly also talked to Sue about renewing other magazines.

Kelly had two requests at this time-----one for \$75 for 15 board books to replenish her stock. She said she has enough Spanish board books so is ordering only English at this time.

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LIBRARIAN'S REPORT (continued):

Her second request was for \$150 for teen programs for March April and May. She needs two separate checks for these. Everyone voted to give Kelly the \$225 which she requested.

Kelly said there are two other things she would like for us to be thinking about for the future. One is a core DVD collection (adult and/or children) for the Patterson Library. She said she received an e-mail from Stacy, who is the acquisitions head for all the county libraries, asking her to bring it up to the Friends Group to see if this is something we would be willing to support. The Modesto and Salida Libraries are the only ones who currently have a core collection.

The second item is sponsoring a summer reading program. In the past the county library system has sponsored three summer reading programs; but because of budget cuts, now is only sponsoring two and she wondered if the Friends would like to sponsor a third one. She said it would cost about \$250 for one of the programs.

MINUTES: The minutes of the February meeting were read individually and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treas., Sue Henderson, reported that the balance as of February 9, 2009 was \$4,648.53. After expenses and deposits the balance as of today, March 9, 2009, is \$3,590.34. This amount does not include the \$80 in the cash box and the \$2,128.49 CD (\$2,000 CD plus interest). Total for book sale receipts to date is \$22,244.98.

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CORRESPONDENCE: Marilynne read a thank you from the Rotary Club for books we had given them for a raffle for their crab feed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **CALTAC Workshop-San Francisco:** Sandy and Sue attended this workshop and said that the people at the workshop were very complimentary to the Friends Groups and that Stanislaus County is one of the pioneers and has one of the best library systems because of the 1/8 cent sales tax. Patterson had the highest percentage of yes votes for the sales tax. They said there were two very good and interesting speakers who talked about new technology and the future of libraries.
- **Insurance For Our FOL Group:** Judy mailed in the application to join FOLUSA, so now we can get insurance through them. Sue made a motion to send a check for \$200 for the insurance so we will be covered for our book sale. The motion was seconded by Sandy and passed. Judy will fill out the form and send it in to get the insurance.
- **Treasurer's Audit:** There was discussion about the audit and it was decided that if Sue and Sandy are comfortable with the way it has been done in the past, that they continue to do it the way they have been. Someone asked if there was any mention about an audit in the Bylaws and Marilynne said she will check the Bylaws.

- **Book Sale:** Sign-up sheets were passed around for working at the book sale (Apr. 22, 24 & 27) and also for taking flyers to various businesses in town.

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OLD BUSINESS (continued):

- **Friends Workshop-Modesto Library:** Marilynne asked for a final count of who wants to attend this meeting and who needs a ride. Several wanted to drive their own cars. Donna and Judy said they will ride with Marilynne.
- **Ads For Book Sale:** Ads to the Irrigator, city calendar community calendar, etc. should be sent one month prior to our book sale.
- **City Council Meeting – Mar. 17th:** Marilynne and Kelly plan to attend this meeting and any other members who want to attend are welcome to do so.
- **Book Sorting:** Marilynne reiterated instructions for sorting books for the book sale (especially for new members).

MISCELLANEOUS:

- **Get Well Card for Chris Bingham:** Judy passed around a get well card she made on the computer for everyone to sign to send to Chris Bingham who has been in the hospital for several days.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 PM. The next meeting will be April 13, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Mullins, Secretary