

FRIENDS OF THE PATTERSON LIBRARY MINUTES
September 8, 2014

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President, Peter La Torre, at 2:30 PM in the library conference room.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Diane Adams, Trudy De Groot, Sue Henderson, Peter La Torre, Judy Mullins, Donna Miller, Wayne Philbrook, and Pat Wells.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

MINUTES: The minutes of the August 11, 2014 meeting were read and a couple of corrections were made. The new County Librarian's last name should be McDonnell instead of McDonald. Sue thought we had elected Donna at our last meeting to be our publicity person. She had said she would put the ad for our book sale on Booksale.com but no official motion was made. After correction, the minutes were approved as read.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treas., Sue Henderson, reported that the balance as of August 11, 2014 was \$3,319.07. After expenses and deposits, the balance as of September 8, 2014 is \$3,650.82. This does not include the cash box of \$80 and the CD of \$2,311.46. The balance of the Marilynne Scholarship Fund is \$1,182.85.

Sue said our insurance premium is due and has increased to \$550.00 per year. She wanted to know if we want to keep this insurance or drop it. Donna made a motion to continue the insurance. It was seconded by Diane and passed. After much discussion, Wayne said he would check with the county to see if they have a policy that would cover us. So, the insurance issue was tabled till our next meeting after Wayne's research with the county.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT: Wayne said the library has been making room for new books and as a result, are having a mini book sale in the room next door. Since they have made room for new books, Wayne had a request of \$1,000.00 with which to buy the new books. Donna made a motion to give the library \$1,000.00 for new children and adult books, it was seconded by Trudy and passed.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT (continued):

The LEGO Program has been so popular that they're adding a second LEGO Day per month. He said they dump all the LEGOs in the floor and the kids use their imagination and build whatever they want and then at the end of the day, they tear their creations apart. Sue asked if maybe they could keep their creations and expand on them the next month. There was discussion about this and Wayne said that maybe at some point in the future they would do that but right now they don't have enough LEGOs. Peter said we could ask Ron Swift to put something in his article in the Irrigator requesting people to donate LEGOs to the library. It was also suggested that we write to the LEGO Corporation requesting them to donate some LEGOs. Judy said she would write the letter. After we see what kind of response we get from requesting donations, then the Friends can give the library money to buy some more LEGOs.

BOOK SALE REPORT: Trudy passed around a list of businesses to which members can sign up to post flyers advertising our next book sale. She also passed around sign-up sheets to work at the book sale. The sale is October 14, 15, 16 and 20. We need to sort books today.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Peter said that we had discussed having a third book sale and decided that it's not feasible to do so since we're having such good response with the revolving book sale in the lobby. However, we do need more publicity for our bi-annual book sales. Diane asked what about signs like people put up for elections. We would need to go to City Hall to check about what kind of advertising we could do. Diane also said that coming into town from the freeway would be a good place to advertise. Sue suggested putting an ad in the Modesto Bee in the section of activities they advertise for free. There is a free bulletin board in City Hall where we could put a flyer and there's also the Boy Scout community calendar for next year if we know the dates for next year. Peter said he would check with City Hall and Gordon Barbosa about his video services. Diane made a motion to select Donna as our publicity chairman for the remainder of this year and next year; Trudy seconded and motion passed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (continued):

Donna said that since there were only three members present at the last meeting and there are a few more members present today, she wanted to make a new motion regarding the extra money in the Marilynne Memorial Scholarship Funds. She made the motion that all money above the \$500 for the scholarship be used for the general funds for the library. Sue wanted to amend the motion to say that we have the option each year of increasing the amount of the scholarship. Trudy seconded the motion and it passed.

OLD BUSINESS: There was discussion about our meeting time. We changed the meeting time from 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM to accommodate students from the high school who would come to help us with our book sorting; but that hasn't been too successful. Peter said he sent the information to the high school about the meetings starting again in August and we've had no response, so it seems as if they may not be interested this year. After some discussion, Sue made a motion that we change our meeting time back to our original time of 1:00 PM starting next month (October 13, 2014); seconded by Diane and passed.

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:35 PM to sort books. Next meeting is October 13, 2014 at 1:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Mullins, Secretary