

FRIENDS OF THE PATTERSON LIBRARY MINUTES
February 14, 2011

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President, Marilynne Allen, at 1:30 PM in the Library Conference Room.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marilynne Allen, Chris Bingham, Margaret Castro, Priscilla Chavez, Trudy deGroot, Sue Henderson, Peter LaTorre, Grace McCord, Sandy McDowell, Donna Miller, Rita Moore, Judy Mullins, Kay Swift, Ron Swift, Melinda Sword, librarian, John McCloud and guests Vanessa Czopek, Stanislaus Co. Librarian, Supervisor, Jim DeMartini and Donna's husband

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Marilynne introduced Vanessa Czopek, Stanislaus County Librarian, who thanked us for our ongoing support. She said that the library is now in the middle of strategic planning and that Sue Henderson is on the planning committee and will be giving us a report on their plans. She handed out library flyers, etc. which we can use to promote the library and the upcoming campaign for the 1/8 cent sales tax extension. There is a grass roots campaign called "Yes for Libraries 2012" which will be trying to reach all the voters and will be having fundraisers in the next few months. Marilynne will be having one at her house and also Supervisor DeMartini will be having one. Vanessa also announced that a Friends of the Library Conference will be held at the Salida Library on March 19 from 9:00-11:00 AM for anyone who is interested in attending.

MINUTES: The minutes of the January 10, 2011 meeting were read individually and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treas., Sue Henderson, reported that the balance as of January 10, 2011 was \$3,115.90. After expenses and deposits, the balance as of today, February 14, 2011, is \$2,767.94. This does not include the cash box of \$80 and CD of \$2,184.04. She said that the CD matures March 5th and wondered if we want to renew it or do something else with the money. After discussion, the consensus was that we renew the CD.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT: John said there is going to be a Chamber of Commerce Mixer and wanted to know if the FOL would sponsor a breakfast for the mixer (around 8:30 AM). After discussion Peter made a motion that the FOL do the breakfast, Sue seconded and motion carried. John will check with the Chamber on a date. We need to do it before our next book sale. Donna made the suggestion that the FOL join the Chamber of Commerce.

BOOK SALE: Our next book sale will be April 13, 14 and 18. When our sale is over, Peter is willing to take any books we have left over to the Newman Library for them to use for their book sale. (He did that after our fall book sale.)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. NEW TABLES FOR BOOK SALES:** Two of the 4 tables which were approved have been bought. They are plastic tables and much lighter in weight than the wooden ones.
- B. MEMORIAL BOOK DONATIONS:** We decided at the January meeting to donate a book (around \$25) to the Patterson Library in memory of any of our members who pass away. The first is for Maggie Lewis. Judy checked with Maggie's daughter to find out what kind of books she liked and then told John who will ultimately pick out a book in accordance with the Library's needs. The book will have a bookplate inside saying that it was donated by the FOL in memory of Maggie.
- C. FOL BYLAWS:** Rita handed out copies of the additions and changes to the Bylaws for everyone to read. Marilynne broke the Secretary's duties into two parts-----Recording Secretary and Corresponding Secretary and appointed Melinda Sword as the Corresponding Secretary. Therefore, new language is needed for the bylaws to reflect these two positions. Donna had a question about the wording under Article IV, Section 4.3-----"When funds are authorized to be used for books, etc., such funds will be disbursed in concurrency with the Librarian". She thought perhaps another word instead of concurrency should be used. After discussion, it was decided that

- C. FOL BYLAWS (continued):** concurrence was the correct word. Sue made a motion to accept the bylaws as written to include the additions/changes, Grace seconded and motion passed.
- D. SOLICITATION OF FRIENDS' FUNDS:** There was discussion about other groups soliciting funds and although they are worthy groups, it is the purpose of the FOL to raise funds for the local library. A vote was taken and passed that our money be used for the Patterson Library.
- E. S.H.A.R.E.S. CARDS:** Rita announced that she has taken care of the enrollment for the S.H.A.R.E.S. cards and that the cards are in the mail. She will have them at our March meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. SENDING BOOKS TO THE MILITARY:** Sandy suggested that the FOL send some books to our military men and women overseas. Grace made a motion that we send some of the books to the military (including paying for postage); it was seconded by Chris and motion carried. Vanessa said that there are books in storage at the Salida Library which we can also use for this.
- B. SHINING STAR AWARD NOMINATIONS:** Marilynne said she has Stanislaus County Library Foundation 2011 Shining Star nomination forms for anyone who is interested in nominating someone. The awards go to individuals, businesses or organizations who support the libraries. These awards will be presented on April 16, 2011.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 PM. The next meeting will be March 14, 2011 in the library conference room.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Mullins, Secretary