

**FRIENDS OF THE PATTERSON LIBRARY MINUTES**  
**September 13, 2010**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Pres., Donna Miller, at 1:30 P. M. in the Library Conference Room.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Marilynne Allen, Chris Bingham, Pat Burch, Trudy De Groot, Cathie Ferreira, Sue Henderson, Ellie Lanfranki, Peter LaTorre, Ronna Lubker, Grace McCord, Donna Miller, Rita Moore, Carol Schuler, Melinda Sword, and Librarian, John McCloud.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Pres. Donna read a letter from Vanessa Czopek thanking the FOL for the check of \$943.94 for books to benefit the Children's Program. There was some question and discussion about whether the Story-time Rug was included as former librarian, Kelly Thompson, in the April meeting had suggested it as her first priority at \$600. An additional correspondence was from former Patterson Librarian, Kelly Thompson, writing a thankful note to return a gift certificate of \$75.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Pres. Donna announced that Judy Mullins, Secretary, had a personal emergency and would not be present to read the minutes.

**MINUTES:** No minutes read.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Treas., Sue Henderson, reported \$279 income from the 8/12 book sale, \$50 from membership, \$20.50 from miscellaneous book sales for a total of \$349.50. After expenses, the current balance is \$4,268.67.

**BOOK SALE REPORT:** Trudy De Groot, Chair of the Book Sale, announced Wednesday, Thursday, and Monday, October 13, 14, and 18 as the dates of the book sale and asked that members sign up for work days. She distributed forms for workday sign up, her plan for an efficient book sale, and announced that there would be book sorting after the meeting.

**LIBRARIAN'S REPORT:** Librarian, John McCloud, related that the \$943.94 (mentioned above under Correspondence) was for children's items only. He further announced that the Library was receiving all magazines. He stated that Susan Lilly, Publicity and Communications for Stanislaus County Library, will be sending out invitations for upcoming focus groups to discuss future plans for the library.

Pres. Donna again presented to the membership the idea of taking part in a Halloween event sponsored by the Library Foundation's help (\$100) to celebrate Halloween in the branch libraries. After much discussion and recognition that the city of Patterson is holding such an event, it was decided that the FOL would not take part.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Rita Moore, Chair of Publicity, handed out flyers and book marks for the upcoming October book sale. She asked that each member take one pack of book marks to spread the word.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Marilynne Allen presented the problem of the Library Garden; then Librarian Sandy Segoviano related the problem with the irrigation-drip system. Marilynne related that she had spoken with Mr. Alex Cervantes, who agreed to check the drip system every three months for \$35. After much discussion, Peter LaTorre moved that we hire Mr. Cervantes to come in every quarter to maintain the irrigation system for \$35, to be billed every quarter. Seconded by Chris Bingham. Motion passed.

Marilynne further added that Mr. Cervantes would re-do the irrigation system outside of the fence near the dumpster for \$285. He would then maintain that irrigation system and include it in the \$35 quarterly cost. Marilynne Allen so moved. Seconded by Ronna Lubker. Motion passed.

2. Nominations for officers was introduced by Marilynne. After much discussion as to whether nominating officers at this time was appropriate according to the By-Laws, it was decided that by following parliamentary "Established Custom," nominations for new officers makes better sense at the end rather than the beginning of a new year. Chris Bingham moved that a Nominating Committee be formed to select Pres., Vice-Pres., Secretary, and Treas. Seconded by Sue Henderson. Motion passed. The Nominating Committee consists of Chris Bingham, Melinda Sword, and Grace McCord to present the slate of officers at the October 11 meeting. The vote will take place in November where nominations may arise from the floor.
3. Pres. Donna suggested that the November meeting be at Damasco Restaurant. It was decided that each member pay his/her own cost. Gracie McCord so moved. Seconded by Ronna Lubker. Motion passed.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned by Pres. Donna for book sorting. The next meeting will be October 11, 2010 at 1:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Carol Schuler, Acting Secretary