

**FRIENDS OF THE TURLOCK PUBLIC LIBRARY  
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
APRIL 4, 2012**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7 PM by President Pat Hickman. Those present: Pat Hickman, President; Dorothy Finnegan, Secretary; Jeanne Endsley, Treasurer; Brooks Judd, Public Advocate. Board members: Nancy Frykman, Donna Lolli, Gity Miller, Christine Nielsen, Jackie Oyer, Pat Portwood. Others present: Joan Ahlstrand, Library Advisory Board; Carol Blomquist, Turlock Public Librarian; Jayne Smith, Historian; Carmen Ingols and Sandy Mann.

**II. REPORTS**

**A. President's Report by Pat Hickman.**

1. John & Jeanni Ferrari are sponsoring an event in support of the "Save Stanislaus Libraries" campaign at the Carnegie Center for the Arts on Tuesday, April 24, 2012 from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. There will be a \$25 per person donation in support of Measure T. An Ansel Adams reprint "Barn and Fence, Napa" will be auctioned off with proceeds going to the library.

2. Through Brooks Judd arduous work, Safeway has donated a check of \$500 to the "Save Stanislaus Libraries" campaign. Brooks has sent a note of appreciation to Safeway. Joan brought up the point that there is a limit to how much FOTPL can donate. The check probably should be endorsed over directly to the campaign without going through the FOTPL treasury to keep our donation to the campaign within the legal percentage.

3. Also, through Brooks ceaseless work, the Epsilon Sigma Alpha Soroptimist Club has donated a check for \$100 to the campaign. Brooks will send a thank you note to Joyce Koftenow.

4. The Salida Branch Library will be hosting a "Volunteer Appreciation Celebration " on April 14, 2012. Jayne and Pat will be attending. Others wishing to attend should RSVP at 558-7817.

**B. Treasurer's Report by Jeanne Endsley.**

1. Jeanne reported that the Book Bin made \$136.50 for the month of March and the Friends' Book Store made \$239.25. The treasurer's report for the month of March 2012 as explained was approved on a motion by Nancy, seconded by Brooks. Again the bank has charged us a \$6.00 fee which Jeanne has to straighten out each month.

2. On a motion by Brooks and seconded by Jackie, three bills were approved to be paid: one to Highsmith for \$14.95; a second to Carol Blomquist for \$105.12; and a third to Sandy Mann for \$70.56.

**C. Membership Report by Jeanne Endsley.**

Michael reported via Jeanne that we have 54 lifetime members, 198 members paid through June 30, 2012, and 83 members paid through June 2013 for a total of 335 members.

#### D. Librarian's Report by Carol Blomquist.

1. There will be two performances for the Summer Reading Program: one on June 30 by Magic Dan at a cost of \$700 and a second by Gary Lapow on July 21, 2012 at a cost of \$600. Each will have two performances: one performance will be paid by the FOTPL and the second will be paid by the Library Foundation. Carol suggested that Magic Dan's fees come out of the 2011-2012 budget and Gary Lapow's performance fees come from the 2012-2013 budget. The payments were approved by Pat P. and seconded by Brooks.

2. The Centennial Birthday Party is scheduled for April 11, 2012 from 11 AM to 12:30 PM at the Turlock Branch. The county libraries is celebrating its 100 birthday, and many of the branch libraries will be having parties. Volunteers from the FOTPL will be needed to help. There will be activities for the youngsters including a bookmark crafts project, a bowling activity, tossing the beanbag, etc. as well as two cakes.

3. Carol expressed a need for light weight book trucks which will make it easier to transport books through the tight spaces in the backroom of the library. DEMCO has them on sale at a cost of \$412.42 for two carts. On a motion by Nancy and seconded by Jeanne, it was agreed to buy these two light weight book trucks for the library.

4. Carol reported that the small fridge with freezer in the staff room is dying. On a motion by Brooks and seconded by Nancy, it was agreed to purchase a new refrigerator probably from Lowe's which does not charge for delivery.

#### E. Publicity Report by Brooks.

Brooks reported that the "Save Stanislaus Libraries" has met favorably with many groups including the Turlock City Council, the Modesto Bee, etc. He is surprised by some the companies and organizations that will not support Measure T financially. He continues to handout information to principals about the libraries.

#### F. "Save Stanislaus Libraries" by Pat Portwood.

1. Pat reported that \$120,000 of the \$150,000 needed to run the campaign has been raised.

2. The grand "Kickoff" for the campaign in support of Measure T was held on March 24, 2012 in both Modesto and Turlock. A number of Turlock dignitaries spoke at our "Kickoff" held at the Carnegie Arts Center including Vito Chiesa, a Stanislaus County Supervisor, and Mary Jackson and Forest White, Turlock City Councilman. About 40 people were in attendance including some students from Mr. Raybine's class who immediately left at the conclusion of the program to walk precincts distributing Measure T leaflets. They walk in pairs, do not talk to voters, just distribute literature.

3. Pat also talked about other ways for publicity. There will be a table at the Farmers Market in May on Fridays. Mary Jackson is our contact. Hopefully, during the 7th annual Taste of Turlock on Saturday, May 12, 2012, we can set up a table on the sidewalk outside of Ritzy Ragz to advertise the campaign. Otherwise we would have to pay a fee for a booth. It may also be possible to advertise Measure T in the Stanislaus State campus newspaper.

4. A discussion ensued about locations for large signs as property owners approval is needed. So far, only 4 big signs have been secured.

5. Jackie is in charge of phoning the precincts and some have already been completed. Pat showed us a precinct book in which is indicated how many phone contacts were made and if the caller got a favorable reply. Information is tallied at headquarters. Callers are still needed as not all precincts have been contacted.

### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Jackie and seconded by Christine, the minutes of the March 7, 2012 were approved.

### IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. A discussion of the responsibilities/duties of board members was tabled to allow enough time to go over the Bylaws changes.

B. We needed to abide by our Bylaws regarding amendments. According to the Bylaws, any changes must be in writing and submitted to the Board at least two months prior to the annual meeting. Then the changes have to be submitted in writing to our membership, one month in advance of the annual meeting. This is via our May Newsletter.

#### BYLAWS CHANGES:

1. ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP, Section 1. shall read "Membership in this organization shall be open to all interested people."

2. ARTICLE III, Section 4. The length of time for membership dues was changed so that all memberships begin and ends at the same time regardless of when the dues are paid as proposed by Michael. It will read: "All membership dues shall run from July 1 through June 30." There will no longer be 18 month memberships.

3. In ARTICLE III, Section 3, we reduced the classes of membership from six to four by eliminating (c) Club/organization and (e) Sustaining . There was confusion about how much donation was needed for sustaining or contributing memberships. We had no definition.

4. We added a section 6 to ARTICLE III which reads - "Organizations, clubs, and businesses may join and shall have one vote. " (previously they had no vote)

5. ARTICLE V. shall be titled "BOARD OF DIRECTORS" dropping OFFICERS AND.

6. A new section 5 was added to ARTICLE V which spells out seven responsibilities of the Board members:

"1. Attend monthly Board meetings

2. Assist in planning and strategizing fund raisers and expenditures

3. Chair or assist on various committees as needed

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5. Actively pursue the recruitment of new members

6. Be familiar with the FOTPL Bylaws

7. Fulfill the duties listed in the job description/ Committee Chair."

7. Under ARTICLE V. SECTION 2. the official name of the Director of Public Information and Advocacy will become "Director of Public Advocacy."

8. Under ARTICLE VII. STANDING COMMITTEES, a sentence was added. "Committee recommendations are subject to approval by the Board of Directors."

9. Under ARTICLE X. PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY, the word may will become "shall."

## V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Sandy Mann reported that she is not collecting enough books from the library to warrant a book sorting. Sandy will contact sorters when there are enough books.

B. Our July meeting will fall on July 4th. On a motion by Dorothy and seconded by Jackie, it was decided to cancel our July meeting in 2012. Any necessary business will be conducted via emails.

C. The slate of officers and Board members of the FOTPL was typed up and submitted in a written form to us. Their phone numbers and email addresses were also included. The officers for 2012-2013, pending approval of the general membership at our annual meeting on June 6, 2012, will be:

### OFFICERS:

Pat Hickman - President  
Nancy Frykman - Vice President  
Jackie Oyer - Secretary  
Carmen Ingols - Treasurer

### DESIGNATED DIRECTORS

Brooks Judd - Public Advocate  
Gity Miller - Membership

### DIRECTORS AT LARGE

Jeanne Endsley  
Donna Lolli  
Pat Portwood  
Leandra Sagayno  
Linda Lee  
Mike Seifert  
Michael Fuller

## VI. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Dorothy and seconded by Christine, the April 2012 meeting of the FOTPL was adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Finnegan, Secretary

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be on May 2, 2012 at 7 PM.

