

Friends of the Turlock Public Library
Board Meeting
1 April 2015

Board Members Present: Diane Bartlett (Turlock Regional Librarian, *ex officio*), Linda Davenport, Jeanne Endsley, Phyllis Frasier, Michael Fuller, Carmen Ingols, Brooks Judd, Gity Miller, Hal Owens, Pat Portwood and Mike Seifert.

Guests Present: Joan Ahlstrand (Stanislaus County Advisory Board), Pat Hickman, Dieter Renning, Hanna Renning and Jayne Smith.

Call to Order: Jeanne called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM, just after Michael arrived looking somewhat askew.

Minutes: The minutes were approved unanimously after Gity seconded Pat P.'s motion to do so.¹

Reports:

President: Jeanne reported that she had nothing to report.

Treasurer: Carmen reported that income during the last month had been only \$196.90 and expenses had totaled \$650.82, bringing our checking balance down to \$33,802.86. Our CD is worth \$7,313.02. Total available funds are \$41,115.88. Michael suggested that we accept the report and pay all outstanding bills that had already been approved: \$61.51 (from Phyllis for the newsletter) and \$29.08 (from Kim, for crafts projects). Accepted.

Foundation: Pat P. announced that the Author's Gala will take place on September 26 at the home of Ginger and Kent Johnson. | The Foundation now has up to \$32,000 in business partners. | The Shining Star Awards will be, well, awarded on April 18 at 2:00 pm at the Salida Library. Sandy Mann will receive one for being a Friend of the Library volunteer.

Newsletter: Phyllis reminded the Board that the May 1 issue is a very important one, since nominations have to be announced to the membership at least a month before the annual meeting. She has requested that all articles be submitted by April 10.

Membership: Echoing Jeanne, Hal reported that there was nothing to report.

Librarian: Librarian's Report for March:

March Programs: Cover to Cover ends April 18 | March 10: Stained Glass Window Kites • 35 | March 11: Neal Steinhauer • 14 | March 14: Teens decorate the Teen Space-5. | March 17: Pots o' Gold craft • 27 | March 18: Wreaths • 8 | March 24: Lego® Day • 40 | March 31: Game Day • 19 | Find the Cat in the Hat's Hat • 500+ | Storytime • 527

Upcoming Programs: [Note: April is National Poetry Month and National Economic Literacy Month] April 7: 4:00 Spring Into Science | April 8: 10:30 Dance Party | April 8: 7:00 "Anyone can get a mortgage in this economy" (for adults) | April 14: 4:00 Three Ways to Save with Bank of the West (children's pro-

¹ How's this for a backwards sentence?

gram) | April 15: 7:00 Book Art (for adults) | April 2:1 4:00 recycled piggybanks | April 28: 4:00 Bilingual puppet show: Differences is a play of rod puppets brought to you by Casa Guanajuato. It presents the adventures of three sisters—One Little Eye, Two Little Eyes and Three Little Eyes—who grow under the protection of a strange tree that has a grudge against humans. It's a story that alerts us to the importance of tolerance for racial diversity, thus addressing and mitigating against the growing problem of bullying. Olga helped arrange the puppet show.

Program updates: Although a city business license needed for all performers, the City of Turlock has agreed to waive this requirement for performers at the Turlock Library. Meanwhile, Diane is working with other branches to submit one contract for programs by the Great Valley Museum during FY 2015-16. She has reserved four dates for next year. Diane will staff a booth at the Love Turlock/RAISE Disability Festival at the Fairgrounds on May 2. Diane passed out invitations to the Volunteer Appreciation Event to be held in Salida on Saturday, April 18.

Equipment Update: The library staff located the equipment that FOTPL purchased before, but it isn't compatible with current technology (such as iPads), so Diane purchased a unit that she will let the library use. The white board has arrived, and the library is waiting for someone to hang it.

Staffing: Carol Garcia (Ceres) is helping us out while the Ceres Library undergoes renovations.

Program help needed: Diane needs help with the April 7 Spring-into-Science program and passed around a list so volunteers could sign up.

Wish List: The library will receive a proclamation for National Library Week at the April 14 City Council meeting. She asked that as many board members as possible to attend. | Diane will ask for the already approved FOTPL monetary donation to help supply giveaway books at the Turlock Library's booth at the County Fair.

OLD BUSINESS:

Farmers' Market: Pat P. reminded the Board that the Turlock Farmers' Market will take place on Saturday (rather than on Thursday) at a new location: on Main Street between Center and Palm. Non-profits such as FOTPL can have a table once a month. It was suggested we try to be represented May through August. Pat will try to get dates before the May meeting.

Storage Facility: Various entities had been contacted: neither TID nor TUSD had any unused rooms we could use for storing our books, nor was the building on the corner of Main and Colorado available. Other locations were mentioned, but each one seemed to have its own drawbacks. Pat P. suggested "another set of eyes" and a contract with the owner. Someone suggested that we see if the City of Turlock has anything available.

NEW BUSINESS:

Nominating Committee: The Nominating Committee presented the slate of nominees for next year's FOTPL Board and officers. It will be printed in the May 2015 Newsletter. [See list on last page.]

Budget Committee: This committee will meet one more time. April Fools!

Other: Hanna informed the Board that Lois Pinkney, a long-time volunteer at the book sale, had died. Hanna suggested that there be an "In Memoriam" section in the Newsletter; the Board agreed.

Adjournment: It was moved (Michael) and seconded (Phyllis) that the meeting be adjourned. There were no objections.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Fuller
Recording Secretary

NOMINEES FOR 2015-2016

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