

# FRIENDS of the TURLOCK PUBLIC LIBRARY

## ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 2, 2010

### *I. CALL to ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS:*

President Nancy Jewett called the 2010 Turlock FOTPL Annual Meeting to order at 7:40 PM. In attendance: Jayne Smith, Cynthia Williams, Jack Williams, Gity Miller, Karon Johnson, Bob Endsley, Nancy Frykman, Gretchen Williams, Dorothy Finnegan, Joan Ahlstrand, Donna Oppelt, Dieter Renning, Jeanne Endsley, Susan Helm-Lauber, Christine Nielsen, Faye Gibbs, Carol Blomquist, Nancy Jewett, Ann Krabach, and Pat Hickman.

### *II. APPROVAL of JUNE 2009 ANNUAL MINUTES:*

On Motion by Jack Williams/Jayne Smith the last annual minutes (June 2009) were approved as corrected.

### *III. REPORTS:*

#### *A. PRESIDENT'S END of YEAR REPORT:*

- Since we began the Turlock FOL, our organization has averaged \$7,000 per year to assist our local library. Our efforts need to continue as the current severe recession has resulted in major cut backs from the county, including the library.
- Thanked the School Outreach Committee and Turlock Public Library staff for all their work the past 3 years in giving each 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class in Turlock Public Schools the opportunity to obtain their own library cards; approximately 800 library cards were issued. Next year the process will start over again so a new group can obtain library cards. This program was funded by a donation from Roberta Anderson.
- Annual Book Sale grossed \$5280.
- The Book Bin Committee moved the store location within Ritzzy Ragz again having it comfortable and attractive for the public.
- Turlock FOTPL donated \$3000 to the Turlock Public Library for the purchase of DVD's to be loaned out. The DVD's are a very popular item for library customers.
- We increased the money for children and adult programs to the library this year.
- The papers for the In-Library Book Store we are planning to open have been turned into the county supervisors for their approval; hopefully we will begin to set it up in early July.
- The next two (2) years will require us to individually work to renew the 1/8 cent sales tax to support the county library system. The 1/8 cent sales tax addition in Stanislaus County can only be used for the libraries. The sales tax expires in 2012, so we need to get prepared for the election.
- We continue to sponsor having the Turlock Journal (past & current issues) reproduced for the library; however, rapid changing technology of storing the data is becoming an issue. How should copies of the paper be kept? Due to media storage method and inability to locate missing issues of the Journal (library, CSUS, Turlock Journal, etc seem to all be missing the same issues) we have not reproduced any copies this past year

#### *B. LIBRARIAN'S YEAR-END REPORT:*

- Due to the recession, all county libraries will have reduced hours beginning June 26, 2010. Turlock's Library hours will be: Monday – Wednesday 10 am – 9 pm; Thursday and Saturday 10 am - 5 pm; closed Fridays & Sundays. All county library's full time staff will be reduced 104 hours throughout the year. Turlock will lose one (1) fulltime clerk and two (2) part time clerk positions.
- Children's Story Time and programming will continue at the current level.
- Last year 1181 children through age 12 participated in the Summer Reading Program – this was an increase of 325 children from 2008.
- A Teen Summer Reading Program, with prizes will be offered and also an Adult Summer Reading Program with prizes.
- Currently we have 12 volunteers who have contributed 975 hours since July 1, 2009. We will be happy to discuss our volunteer program with anyone interested.

- Thanks to the Turlock FOTPL we will be able to purchase some needed materials in spite of the recession.
- Turlock's Public Library circulation increased by more than 32,000 this past year over the previous year (not counting May of this year because statistics were not yet available.)
- A few highlight of the past year:
  - Turlock Library Redevelopment Committee was formed. One result is to do a study to access library needs throughout the county.
  - In June of last year the Turlock Public Library started "self-holds pick up" and in August we started self-check out.
  - In February our DVD collection was made available for check out; this is enormously popular. Thanks to Turlock FOTPL for the donation for so many DVD's.
  - The Elementary School Public School Outreach Program for library cards was very successful. Every school was contacted in the last three years. Next fall the program will begin again so the next group of third graders can be given the same opportunity to have their own library cards.
- In answer to a question, Carol said it was possible to donate money or a subscription for a magazine or for a book to be used at the Turlock Library. Forms for the donations are at the desk. It is less expensive if the donor lets the library purchase the book or subscription than if they do it themselves.

*IV. REPORT of NOMINATING COMMITTEE & ELECTION of 2010 – 2011 BOARD of DIRECTORS [Dorothy Finnegan, Christine Nielsen, and Ann Krabach]:*

The committee presented the following slate of Officers & Board members for nomination for the July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011 term:

Officers:

- President – Harrison Gibbs
- Vice-President – Dorothy Finnegan
- Secretary – Patricia Hickman
- Treasurer – Jeanne Endsley

Designated Directors:

- Public information/Advocacy – Dieter Renning
- Membership – Christine Nielsen

Directors at Large:

- Nancy Frykman
- Michael Fuller
- Ann Krabach
- Gity Miller
- Donna Oppelt
- Cynthia Williams
- Gretchen Williams

On motion by Pat/Faye the slate of was voted in unanimously.

*IV. REPORT of BUDGET COMMITTEE & ADOPTION of the 2010-2011 BUDGET [Harrison, Jeanne, Dieter, Dorothy]:*

- The committee reviewed the old budget and considered the reductions in the county's budget for the library and are recommending an increase in what we donate to the library each year.
- One CD was placed in our savings account to offset the monthly service fees for our checking/savings account.
- Suggest moving account to F&M Bank as soon as feasible (no service charges) and again move the money back to a CD account.
- Question about budget – Why so much for microfilm of Turlock Journal – aren't we finished with that yet?  
Answer: No, due to technology changes in saving media forms we have not been able to complete the file of the local paper and many issues of the Journal are missing at the library, state library, college library, and Journal office; so some years we have spent \$0 on this project even though it is/was budgeted.

On motion by Dieter/Jack the budget for FY 2010/2011 was accepted.

V. *OTHER BUSINESS*; Dieter reminded everyone that we, individually, need to begin donating our time and money to the up coming campaign to renew the 1/8 cent sales tax that can only be used to support the Stanislaus Public Libraries.

*VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS:* The Modesto Library will host a national exhibit, "Abraham Lincoln: A Man of His Time, A Man for All Times" June 1 - July 10. A kickoff reception will be held June 3 on the main floor of the Modesto Library. A family program, "American Life in Lincoln's Time" will be held June 5, followed by a free screening of the 1939 classic film about Abraham Lincoln, starring Henry Fonda. A book discussion about "Team of Rivals" will be held on June 16.

*VIII. ADJOURNMENT for REFRESHMENTS:*

On motion by Pat/Christine the annual meeting was adjourned at 8 pm. Refreshments followed the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia Hickman, Secretary