

Minutes • Meeting of the Board of Directors & Annual FOTPL Meeting
Friends of the Turlock Public Library
7 June 2017 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Board Members Present: Diane Bartlett (ex officio), Linda Davenport, Phyllis Frasier (ex officio), Michael Fuller, Pat Hickman, Brooks Judd, Jackie Oyer, Dieter Renning, Pat Rubalcava, Mike Seifert, Sabra Stafford and Barbara Wells || **Friends Present:** Dorothy Finnegan, Barbara Jensen, Karon Johnson, Hal Owen, Hanna Renning and Jayne Smith

Call to Order: Jackie, itching to go, called the meeting to order at 6:28.

Approval of the Minutes: There was some discussion of the minutes, but no changes were made. Barbara moved and Brooks seconded the motion that the minutes of the May meeting be approved. Unanimous approval.

President's Report: Jackie announced that the ballot measure finally has a letter: **S**. She said there is a Turlock Hi teacher who will have students walk precincts in the fall; a counselor at Pitman Hi will encourage students there to get their 5 hours of community service out of the way early in the academic year; a junior high teacher has also volunteered to participate. Hanna has already found places for the large signs. • **Information Tables:** Jackie would like to see two dates in both June and July. They'll probably be most effective in conjunction with afternoon programs. Brooks and Carmen volunteered to work Tuesday June 20 (Traveling Lantern Theatre at 4:00), and Michael and Barbara J. volunteered to work Safety Day, Thursday June 22, 3:00. Hal and Linda volunteered to work Tuesday, July 18 (4:00) for Harry Potter; Carmen and Jackie will work Lego Day, Tuesday, July 25.

Election of 2017–2018 Board: The slate of nominees was distributed to everyone in attendance. Jackie called for nominations from the floor. Since there was dead silence, Hanna moved that nominations be closed. Barbara J. seconded the motion. There were no nays. The new officers are Carmen Ingols, president; Pat Portwood, vice president; Hal Owen, treasurer; Sabra Stafford, secretary; Mike Seifert, membership secretary; Linda Davenport, public advocacy. (Pat Hickman will serve as historian. Jackie Oyer will be *ex officio* as outgoing president.) Directors-at-Large are Lisa Cherenson, Dorothy Finnegan, Michael Fuller, Barbara Jensen, Gity Miller and Barbara Wells. They will take their offices on July 1, 2017. Thanks to all who were kind enough to step up and support the Friends by running — and congratulations.

Treasurer's Report: Linda reported an error in her report for April: YTD income from the Friends' Bookstore is \$142.80 above our annual income from that source. • May income amounted to \$471.40, and expenses, \$2037.63, bringing our checking balance to \$15,042.85. (\$2000 of the expenses was our donation to the Campaign for the Libraries, as approved at our May meeting.) • One of the Building Fund CD's had some interested deposited, as did our Money Market account. [Total funds in the Building Fund are now at \$70,419.42.] The Board accepted her report. • **2017–2018 Budget:** Everyone looked over the proposed budget, which the Board had approved at the May meeting. There was little discussion, and when Jackie called for a vote, there were no dissensions.

Membership Chair's Report: Mike announced that there were no new memberships but that he had received two renewals, which he hadn't added to the rolls yet. He also mentioned our outreach at the May Farmers' Market. In addition to getting more than \$60 in donations, we also got information from Friends' Supporters: these six individuals expressed an interest in FOTPL and gave us contact information so we can send them the Newsletter.

Foundation: Pat Portwood could not be present, but she sent Jackie some reminders: Measure S printed materials will soon be available. | Signs will go up in August. | Campaign headquarters will have a kickoff on August 5. | The Foundation Gala will take place on September 23. | The Party at the Library will be on August 18. | Linda is hoping to organize an event, not necessarily for fundraising but simply to get the word out about Measure S. Someone suggested the Dust Bowl Brewery as an ideal venue. Someone else said the article in the *Journal* was excellent. | Supporters of Measure S have been asked to respond to any negative letters that appear in either the *Journal* or the *Bee*. Several names surfaced, including Brooks', Pat H.'s, Michael's and others'.

Newsletter: Phyllis said that the next issue is due out in August.

Librarian's Report: Things are hoppin' at the Turlock Library. • Technology Update: There are two new self-check-out kiosks, a fancy DOC station where one can do all sorts of techie things, new Internet stations plus an additional children's Internet station, and more catalogs (behind the kiosks). In addition, Link+, a free interlibrary loan service, is here. Staff are still learning how to use all this good stuff and will be working more with library patrons away from behind the desk. • Tagging¹ will begin mid-June if everything goes according to plan. | Gates will soon be installed. • Summer Reading Challenge has begun! | Meanwhile, children's programs continue each Tuesday and Wednesday morning. | Unicorn Story Time with Mayor Soiseth will take place on June 19 at 6:30 PM. | June 22 at 3 PM Safety Day program with Turlock Police and Fire Departments. | Storytime continues each Wednesday and Thursday through July. | Children's staff will be visiting the three city summer camps. • There will be a Book Art program on June 28 at 6 PM for anyone wanting to learn how to recycle old books by reusing them. • Diane also announced that on Wednesday, July 26 at 6:30 PM Hanna and Dieter Renning will give an account of their early lives.

OLD BUSINESS: Book Sale Committee: The person who used to take our leftover books, Ike, won't be able to do so again until probably 2019. In the meantime, we have to worry about 2018. Linda thinks the people we recycled with in 2016 won't give us as much money as they did for the last sale. Linda will find out for sure. • The Methodist Church has us tentatively on their schedule for the last weekend in January; we'll know for sure in either July or August, after the new pastor arrives. • Jackie thinks pickup trucks would be more efficient and cheaper for us than U-Haul. Everyone seemed to agree. • The half-sheets announcing the sale to Turlock teachers have to be prepared much earlier because they need a District OK before being put in mailboxes.

Farmers' Market: Brooks will continue to coordinate. He passed around a sign-up sheet for the rest of the season. Linda and Jackie will be at this month's market on the 10th.

NEW BUSINESS: Social Media: Sabra wanted to know if anyone would like to work as a committee to develop a strategy for using social media, beginning with Facebook. Lots of nods;

¹ The legal kind, of course!

no one ran screaming from the room. **Library Advisory Board:** Dorothy mentioned that the Modesto Friends are searching for estate sales to get enough books for their sale. Carmen reported that she already has 20 boxes of kids' books, 29 of fiction, 61 of paperbacks, 162 of nonfiction and 15 of cookbooks! Oy!

Adjournment: Before adjournment, Carmen wanted the Board to give Jackie a big, big hand (in lieu of a card) for leading us for the past three years. When the din died down, Michael moved that we adjourn. two quickly seconded the motion. A small informal reception followed. Dorothy's brownies were simply scrumdillyicious. The library staff was eagerly awaiting the last of the stragglers' departure.

Next Meeting: 5 July 2017 at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Fuller, Secretary