

**Friends of the Turlock Public Library**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**5 October 2016**  
**6:30 – 8:00 PM, Turlock Library**

**Board Members Present:** Diane Bartlett (Turlock Regional Librarian, *ex officio*), Linda Davenport, Phyllis Frasier (newsletter editor, *ex officio*), Pat Hickman, Carmen Ingols, Barbara Jensen, Brooks Judd, Jackie Oyer, Pat Portwood, Dieter Renning, Mike Seifert and Barbara Wells

**Others Present:** Dorothy Finnegan, Gity Miller and Jayne Smith

**Call to Order:** Jackie called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.

**Minutes:** There was an error in the minutes. Our county librarian is actually Diane McDonnell. Dieter moved that the minutes of the August meeting be approved as corrected. Pat H. seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**Reports:**

**President:** Jackie reported that dd's Discounts raised \$2179 for children's books. Pat P. asked if the books circulate to a general collection. Diane responded that the books circulate to all the county libraries. | Jackie also reported that Barbara J. will be teaching a night section at MJC spring semester and will not be able to attend board meetings, so the question of a leave of absence or a resignation was brought up. Pat Hickman suggested that the position be filled until Barbara Jensen returns.

**Treasurer:** Linda reported that income during the month of September had been \$944.35 while expenses had totaled \$35, bringing our checking balance up to \$15,518.29. Our CD is worth \$7329.11. There are two Library Building Fund CDs, one for \$25,150 and another for \$30,000, and the Library Building Fund money market account holds *firm at* \$10,192.69. There were no comments or questions, so Dieter moved and Pat P. seconded the motion that the treasurer's report be approved. Passed unanimously.

**Membership:** Mike said that during September there were 4 renewed individual memberships, 3 new individual memberships and one new family membership, for a total of 8. Grand total of membership now reads: Individual 33, Family 15, Life 41, for a total of 89. | Mike also reported that there are new members interested in volunteering in the bookstore.

**Foundation:** Pat P. reported that the Authors' Gala took place on Saturday September 24 and that the event grossed \$46,500, netting \$35,000. It was a great success. | Pat also mentioned that on October 8 from 10 until 12 noon at the Salida library the foundation board and many friends of the libraries will be attending an event to share ideas and learn about the library tax campaign. | Pat said that the measure will not be designated by a letter until January 2017. Dorothy mentioned that she had run three agendas for the Saturday meeting: "Time to Share," "Role of Friends" and "Friends in Relation to the Tax Campaign." | Jackie Oyer mentioned that the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is looking for community service projects and that she recommended the group for the Library Tax Campaign.

**Newsletter:** Phyllis Frasier reported that the next newsletter will be for November and that the deadline for articles is October 20, 2016.

**Librarian:** The big focus during the month of October will be the Town Hall Meetings. Diane passed out flyers for the Turlock/Denair meeting that will be held Tuesday, October 18, 6 pm at Berg Hall (Covenant Village). | The Pre-school Halloween Program and Parade will take place on Thursday, October 27. We need volunteers from 9:30 until noon to hand out treats and to help at the craft table. Diane passed around a signup sheet. | As part of the library's Tuesday programs, Python Ron will be visiting on Tuesday, October 18 at 4 PM. Although this particular program is not funded by the Friends, Diane mentioned it because Python Ron is always a popular attraction. | In addition to its regular weekly programming the Turlock Library will have two month-long passive programs: (a) writing a letter to any service member or veteran to be delivered in a care package through Operation Gratitude and (b) guessing the number of seeds in the pumpkin. | The Mystery Lover's Book Club is off to a great start. They are using copies of books found in the collection. If the FOTPL would like to fund one of their picks, we would pass along the books to the Bookclub-in-a-Box program used by the Wednesday morning book group along with many others. | Diane will be on the "Book Club Secrets Revealed" panel at the Modesto Library, Wednesday, October 19 at 6:30 PM. If you are part of a book club or are thinking of joining, this program is for you.

### Old Business

**Report on Fashion Tea:** Linda Davenport reported gross amounts of \$2375 in ticket sales, \$430 in the quilt drawing, \$560 in auction sales. The expense for the caterer was \$1000; for clean-up, \$75, and miscellaneous expenses of \$93.83. | Expected additional monies for auction amount to \$40. The reported amount of \$2366.17 should be adjusted to \$2,236.17. Therefore, net amount for Fashion Tea is \$2236.17. | The Fashion Tea was such a success that there was some discussion about the possibility of having another in 2017.

**Book Sale:** Dieter confirmed our annual book sale *will* take place at the First United Methodist Church from January 24 – 28, 2017 after all. As always, we thank the Methodist Church for lending us their hall.

**Farmers' Market:** Brooks reported that there were not enough people to cover the first shift at the Farmers' Market. With the diminishing numbers coming to the Farmers' Market, we decided to cancel our participation on October 8.

**New Business:** There was none.

**Adjournment:** At approximately 7:20 PM Dieter moved and Mike seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Everyone disappeared.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Fuller, recording secretary,  
with generous help from Linda Davenport