

FRIENDS OF THE HUGHSON LIBRARY

March 5, 2011
Hughson Library

President Joan House called the meeting to order at 9:10 AM. Those present: Margaret Rodgers, Sandell Richards, Linda Berck, Joan House, Mary Gonzales, Vicki Fontana, Cathee Vaughn, and, our Librarian, Dianna Dulaney.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Linda Berck, Secretary, read the minutes of January 8, 2011. The minutes were approved as corrected.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer, Sandell Richards reported that we received a total of \$810.00 in memberships and donations, \$7.75 in book sales, and \$33.05 from the self service shelves. The balance of the cost for the flannel board was \$194.13. Our balance as of February, 2011 was \$4,369.89. Her report was approved as submitted.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT Dianna said that the children are responding well to the "In and Out" program sponsored by "In and Out Burgers". The children, are given a card to fill out listing 5 books that they have read and have it signed by their parents. They will then receive a coupon for a free cheeseburger. The program continues until April 16th. Since no one was showing up for craft days, Joan said she would either speak to Jean about the craft announcement in the paper or call Frank George in regards to updating the project of the month.

OLD BUSINESS

Vicki Fontana reported that there were 165 children and 93 adults attending the Dr. Suess birthday party on March 3. It was agreed that it was a great success, except for the need a of microphone because it was difficult to hear the readers and hear the singing. Vicki said the Family Resource Center is working on getting some sound equipment for the building. Every year we learn something new. Maybe have the children participate with a type of exercise. Overall, the children enjoyed it and were anxious to receive their goody bags with a book after the program.

Memberships are still coming in, and, Sandell handed out an updated list of members.

Joan will go to the school to speak with Dierdre about the reading program since she has not heard anything from her about it.

Book sales are slow, but, we anticipate better as we are there consistently and keep a fresh supply on the self-serve shelves.

NEW BUSINESS. Joan appointed members to attend the monthly book sales. The Fruit and Nut Festival is still in the working stages. Right now they have to check into their non-profit status. It was decided to distribute the extra goody bags from Dr. Seuss at the Health Fair on April 30th where we will be having a book sale. March 19th there will be a Friends meeting in Salida from 9-11AM. Stanislaus Countywide Just Friends of the Library will meet May 14th at 10 AM in Empire. We will also be participating in the Children's Spring Event on April 23 giving out goody bags with pencil, bookmarks, etc. to be assembled prior to the event. Vickie reported on a program for Spanish speaking children. The Family Resource Center in cooperation with the After School Program are sending children to the Library, but, Dianna says that it hasn't affected library attendance. Vickie also told us about "El Dia de Los Ninos" on April 16th at 1 PM when they will also have activities for the children.

Cathee Vaughn announced that she will be resigning as a Board member of the Library.

NEXT MEETING: Saturday, May 7, 9AM at the Library. Respectfully submitted,
Linda Berck, Secretary