



Friends of the
Modesto Library
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Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors

September 7, 2011

President

Anne Britton Called to order at 6:30 PM by President Anne Britton.

Vice President

Katherine Johnson Directors present: Kathy Johnson, Ellen Dambrosio, Anne Britton, Susan Hannah, Barbara Quinn, Judy Pierce. Guests: Bev Finley, and Amy Taylor, Modesto Library Manager.

Secretary

Susan Hannah Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting, June 1, 2011, were approved as corrected.

Treasurer

Jonaca Driscoll

Librarian's Report (Amy Taylor)

1-Stanislaus Reads finished with successful Garden Gala Author Dinner, a fundraiser for Stanislaus Library Foundation.

Membership

Ellen Dambrosio

2-Summer Reading was very successful. Adult reading participation doubled. Lori White was to receive a gift certificate to the Little Shop, donated by The Friends. 3,200 children participated in Modesto and 9,362 county wide. This translates into 35,210 hours of reading done by children 12 and under. It was suggested that Susan Windemuth write a letter to The Modesto Bee to share this information.

Activities Director

Barbara Quinn

Director-at-large

Judy Pierce

3-Other programs going on at the Library include: Caregivers College (wrapping up on October). Jewish Song-writers exhibit September 15th and discussion of George Gershwin on September 21st. Local author fair on the portico on September 17th, from 9-12. A presentation from Lakewood Memorial about estate planning and preparing for final arrangements on September 24th

4-The Children's Craft Fair is October 8th and Barbara will be contacting volunteers for the All Kids Craft Faire.

5-Friends of the Library will be making a presentation at the City Council Meeting on December 6th.

Yes on 2012 – Save Stanislaus Libraries (Bev Finely, co-chair of the 2012 Campaign)

Anne is attending monthly meetings held on Friday at 7:30 AM. Bev reported The Friends throughout the county have been great and many fundraising events are happening and will continue. They have raised \$50,000 as this point with Friends Presidents coordinating donations starting in October. Hard copies are mailed to those without email.

President's Report - (Anne Britton)

1-Scholastic Book Faire to be held November 9th, 10th and 12th. This is the sale with new books. Judy Pierce will attend the workshop on September 15th. Anne will once again serve as Chair of the event.

2-Anne is still looking for a General Manager for The Little Shop. She reminded us that the shop has scaled back on consignment items.

3- The Newsletter is published Quarterly (Nov. 1, Feb.1, May 1, and Aug. 1. Items need to be submitted to Clare by the 15th of the previous month. The newsletter is distributed by e-mail to current members who have an e-mail address and to lapsed members in hopes they will renew their membership.

4- Judy and Barbara will serve on the nominating committee for next year's officers.

Membership - (Ellen Dambrosio)

1-Ellen reached her 100 membership goal and will continue to try to increase memberships. We will look at putting an article in the MTA Advance to encourage more teachers to become Friends.

2- Grocery cards continue to provide revenue and are available in The Little Shop.

3- The Friends will have an information table at National Friends of the Libraries Week.

Treasurer's Report – (Anne Britton for Jonaca Driscoll)

Balances as of August 1, 2011

Savings: \$1,283.07

Checking: \$17,665.03

We are allowed to contribute 20% of our operating budget to Yes on 2012. It was determined that we could contribute an additional \$195 to the \$3000 we approved for fiscal 2011-2012, for a total of \$3195.

ACTION: Motion to approve the additional \$195 to the Yes on 2012 Campaign was moved by Ellen and seconded by Kathy. Unanimously approved.

1- Jonaca has filed tax returns and General Charity Registry with the State Attorney General.

New Business:

1- The Halloween Parade will be held at noon on October 31 in the Auditorium. Children in costumes will parade through the library picking up 'treats' at different stations. The Library Foundation has once again donated \$100 to fund this event.

2- Amy received a quote of \$577.64 from Sherwin Williams for the paint. There may be a 40% discount on paint. Judy and Amy will arrange for the job, done by volunteers on November 4th and 6th. There may be the need of an experienced painter to help us. We will need a note of thanks in the Newsletter to Sherwin Williams.

3- March General Membership meeting will be held on March 7. Barbara and other members will try to find a venue for this event. Suggestions should be sent to Barbara.

Announcements:

1- Judy shared an idea about book purses, with beaded handles that she saw at the Willow Glen Farmers Market.

2. “Book Lover’s Page a Day Calendars” are now on sale in The Little Shop.

3- Amy mentioned that many people asked if the Spelling Bee would be held again. Most people thought a Trivia Fund raiser would be more appropriate.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 7, 2011

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 8:00

Respectfully submitted December 7, 2011, by Susan Hannah, Secretary

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