



Friends of the Modesto Library  
Board of Directors Meeting  
September 3, 2014 6:30 PM  
Modesto Library Conference Room

Meeting called to order at 6:30 by President Christine Brereton.

Directors present: Cathie Peck, Judy Pierce, Ellen Dambrosio, Anne Britton, Christine Brereton, Kathy Johnson

Directors absent: Barbara Quinn, Jonaca Driscoll

Guests: Michael Leamy, Joan Patterson, Kristine Ezovski

Minutes of the May 28<sup>th</sup> board meeting were approved.

Librarian's Report: Michael Leamy (Modesto Library's new manager)

- The magazine area will be changed into a Quiet Room. The date of completion is unknown at this time.

- The Library will be starting a 1000 books before Kindergarten program. This is a Pre Kindergarten Literacy program. After reading 1000 books (or having 1000 books read to him/her), a child will receive a book. Children will receive incentives along the way. The program is new, with some fine tuning involved.

- The Summer Reading Program was down at the Modesto Library this year. There was no story time in the month of August, as the Library added some new programs for older children. There is a possibility that this had an effect on Summer Reading.

- The monthly calendars have changed as three calendars are printed instead of one with all the events. The one calendar became too hard to read with so many events.

President's Report: Christine Brereton

- New librarian, Diane McDonnell, was unable to attend, due to an out of the area conference commitment.

- The Stanislaus County Fair Giveaway to children distributed 750 books to children, aged infant through teens. Susan Lily expressed her thanks to the Friends for their \$200 donation.

- FOML member Linda Owen has taken on the role of FOML newsprint distributor.

- Modesto librarian Olga Cardenas will attend the 2014 Association for Library Service Children National Institute. She thanked the Friends for their donation, which allowed her to attend.

- The Children's Library Shark Week was a huge success. Pirate Week will be September 8<sup>th</sup> through the 13<sup>th</sup>.

Membership- Ellen Dambrosio

- Membership is down a bit. We will have a poster in the Children's Library during National Friends of the Libraries Week, October 19<sup>th</sup> through the 25<sup>th</sup> to educate patrons about all the things the Friends organization does for children at the Modesto Library. Hopefully this will motivate people to join.

The Little Shop-Kristine Ezovski

-Kristine reported net income for the quarter was \$273. She also said volunteers are covering most of the hours needed. She will make some color changes to the logo. She will make sure there is someone in the Little Shop during the Halloween Parade.

-There was a discussion concerning changing the name of The Little Shop to Our Little Shop. No decision was made.

Treasurer's Report: Anne Britton

Pay Pal: \$1095.64

Bank of America: \$4355.89

FOML checking: \$27852.47

FOML Savings: \$1706.99

Christine had some questions about how the balances are reported. She will talk to Jonaca about her concerns.

New Business:

Scholastic Book Fair will be November 12, 13, and 15<sup>th</sup>. Anne is looking for volunteers and will send an email asking for help.

**ACTION:** Motion to approve a pilot process to take 50% Scholastic Credit from the profit of the November Scholastic Sale, rather than 25% cash, to be re-evaluated after a year, was made by Judy and seconded by Ellen. Passed unanimously.

Old Business:

-Omega Nu gave the library a grant of \$1000 to support Dinner Theater. FOML approved an additional \$300, if necessary.

Calendar Review:

October 15- Newsletter deadline to Judy

October 29- Halloween Parade

November 12, 13 and 15 -Scholastic Book Sale

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Announcements:

-Sully asked for volunteers for the Halloween Parade on October 29<sup>th</sup>. The parade begins after Story time about 10:45. Anne agreed to being in charge of the parade day if Sully is unable to attend. Volunteers include: Anne, Judy, Cathie, Kathy.

-Cathie said they are currently accepting books for the May 2015 Used Book Sale.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05

Respectfully submitted on December 3, 2014

Susan Hannah, Secretary