Friends of the Turlock Public Library Meeting Minutes June 5, 2024

**Board Members Present**: Mary Ward, Brooks Judd, Mike Seifert, Terri Shaver, Penny Calkins, Debi Morgan, Beth Bollinger, Julie Bradford

Friends Present: Debra Clipper, Karina Mendoza and Sabra Stafford

**Call to Order**: Mary called the meeting to order at 6:34.

**Minutes**: The May minutes were approved as corrected.

## **Reports**

President: Mary reviewed FOTPL's 2023/2024 year:

- We very sadly lost Ken Oyer
- Jackie Oyer resigned as Vice President
- Third author event Lisa Wingate
- 4th author, Chris Bohjalian
- 30th anniversary (yearly event?)
- Started long range planning committee
- Volunteer get together at Latifs

**Treasurer**: Mike reported the following for May:

Income:	3,001.51
Expenses:	106.17
Ck. acct./c.d./blding fund	25,732.19
Morgan Stanley	697,334.84

Banking and Investment Grand Total: 723,067.03 Pledges Committed 761,000.00

Pledges Received	435,650.00
Library Presents Budget	75,000.00
Balance Available	43,112.22
Shabazian Trust	127,000.00
Balance Available	110,145.00

**Librarian**: Karina reported that the summer reading program has begun and is housed in the Beanstack app. June is very busy with events including Board Game Day, Pint Sized Polkas, Suncatchers, Bookmarks, Story Time, Wiggle Worms, Lego Creations, Teen Anime Club, Sewing, Color Absorbing Butterfly, Owl Pellets, Wee Move and Play, Caterpillar Noteholder, Butterfly Collages and Master Gardener Vermicomposting.

## **Old Business**

- **a. Farmers Market:** Brooks shared the booth is staffed for June and July. August and September staffing is needed.
- **b. Bookstore:** Penny said the first ever Book Store volunteer gathering at Latif's went well and she would like to do it again.
- **c. Polo Shirts:** Brooks will deliver the new polos from Crivelli's to the Book Store on Saturday, and FOTPL Board Members and Volunteers can pick them up there.

## **New Business**

**a. Budget Committee**: Mike reviewed the Proposed FOTPL Operating Budget for 2024/2025. The budgets will be divided income and expenses for three categories: Capital Campaign (formerly *Library Foundation*), Library Presents and Shabazian Trust. Julie moved to approve the proposed budget, Penny seconded and the board voted to approve.

**b. Nominating Committee:** Mary presented the 2024/2025 Board Nominees. Mike moved to approve the nominations, Julie seconded and the board voted to approve:

President: Mary Ward

Vice President: Vacant

Treasurer: Mike Seifert

Secretary: Tracee Farlinger

Advocacy: Vacant

Membership: Terri Shaver

Communications: Sabra Stafford

Directors at Large

Beth Bollinger

Penny Calkins

Debbie Clipper

Jane Cluff

Sheila Younking

C. Pat Portwood's, the Library Presents, Fall 2024: Jane reported that the committee, which includes Jane, Mary, Diane, Sheila, Mike and Julie, met before the May board meeting to talk about what went well at the April Chris Bohjalian event, what we would like to improve and also future events. The group decided to display Pat's photo at all events.

The group would like Kate Quinn to speak either October 5 or 26th, 2024, at the Carnegie. Quinn is a historical fiction author who has written series

about ancient Rome, Renaissance Italy, World War 1 and most recently, World War 2. The cost is \$13,500 plus expenses.

Longer term, hosting a local authors event in the Community Room in spring, '25 and possibly author, William Kent Krueger in fall, '25 are being considered.

## d. Membership:

Electronic Form: Terri shared that response to the draft of an online membership form was overwhelmingly positive.

Membership Cards: Terri proposed that we begin to give membership cards to members.

Membership Rewards: She also suggested that we honor the Lifetime members in some way. Mary stated the need for a Membership Committee to guide membership processes. Terri, Mike, Sabra and Mary volunteered to serve on the committee.

Terri reported 79 Individual and Family memberships and 73 Lifetime Memberships. There were two new memberships in May and 11 renewals. \$160 in membership was received in May.

- **e. Carnegie Block Party:** Mary asked if anyone was willing to organize staffing at the Carnegie Arts Center Block Party on June 15th from 10:00 to 3:00. No one volunteered.
- **f. Melon Festival:** Mike shared that Turlock's Melon Festival is being reinstituted on September 20th and 21st in downtown Turlock, and FOTPL has the opportunity to be one of the sponsors of the event. Mary suggested we vote on whether to sponsor at the July board meeting.

Next Board meeting - July 3, 2024 @ 6:30pm in the Community Room