

Friends of the Turlock Public Library
Board Meeting Minutes
January 6, 2021

Board Members Present: Pat Portwood, Jane Cluff, Carmen Ingols, Brooks Judd, Diane Gray, Jackie Oyer, Greg Rogers, Terri Shaver, Sandie Sing, Mary Ward and Patricia Williams, Sabra Stafford and Karon Johnson.

Friends Present: Dieter and Hanna Renning, Dianne Bartlett, Pat Hickman, Jayne Smith and Bryan Sontag.

Call to Order: Pat Portwood called the meeting to order at 6:31.

Welcome: Pat welcomed us all to 2021!

Minutes: Jackie made a move to approve the December minutes, (Thank you, Sabra!) and Diane G seconded.

Reports

Treasurer:

Carmen reported the following:

Income:	25,202.60
Expenses:	259.71
Ck. Acct & time dep:	40,268.61
Library Funds:	241,450.91
Grand total:	267,368.75

Librarian:

New for January, Diane B shared that the library is hosting an online Winter Reading Challenge for all ages. She also encouraged people to do the online escape room.

Old Business

Membership Report: Diane reported that we had \$50 in membership in December. We have 133 paid memberships currently compared to 92 at the same time last year!

Update on Renovation: (stanislauslibrary.org/turlockexpansion): Bryan said that the plumbing, electrical and walls are complete. Insulation and drywall should be finished by the end of January. Windows, siding and concrete work are in the works outside. Finishing touches should happen in April and then shelving with hopes to open at least partially in late spring depending on the pandemic.

Update on Fundraising Committee and Review of Fundraising Packet: Pat Portwood explained that at the December meeting they focused on the Donor Walls. Patrick Jensen brought a rendering of his wall design. The deadline for donations is February 14th. The names of the people who have funded each room will be on plaques at the entrance to the respective rooms. She will be doing another presentation to a community group and says we are getting interest in donating based on social media. Sabra wrote an article for the Turlock Journal promoting library donations. Jeannie Ferrari also created a Turlock Journal advertisement to further promote donation opportunity. FOTPL offered the owner of the Journal their name on the Donor Wall in exchange for the ad. Space. One donor donated money to be used for “future programs” to be determined by FOTPL.

Follow up on art competition Ideas by the Art Committee: Jane, Mary and Sandie shared the flyer for the art competition. They will launch the promotion of the contest in mid January.

Newsletter, Facebook and Instagram updates: Phyllis has been posting varied types of posts regularly. She will be posting new photos of the new library's progress tomorrow which Brian sent.

Book Collection Progress: Jackie had five emails today from people with books to donate. She and Jackie have rearranged the storage garage.

New Business

Book Sale signs, discussion and vote: Jackie suggested we get rid of the old Book Sale signs because they will no longer be accurate, are old and take up storage space. She wonders if the signs are effective advertising. Terri moved that we get rid of the old signs and Mary seconded.

Turlock City Council Presentation, January 26: Pat, Sarah and Bryan will be giving a 15 minute virtual tour of the new library. Jeanni Ferrari may also be there to thank the community for its support.

Invitation from AAUW: Diane shared information about a presentation by author of *Born Criminal*, a book about a suffragist and feminist.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30

Next meeting: February 3rd, 2021