

Friends of the Turlock Public Library
Board Meeting Minutes
November 6, 2019

Board Members Present: Pat Portwood, Diane Gray, Hope Werness, Hal Owen, Brooks Judd, Jane Cluff and Carmen Ingols. Absent: Mary Ward and Karon Johnson

Friends Present: Hanna and Dieter Renning, Terry Fisher, Diane Bartlett, Phyllis Frasier, Candy Klaschus, Brian Sontag, Sarah Denton, Pat Hickman, Jayne Smith and Mary Jackson

Call to Order: Pat called the meeting to order at 6:29

Minutes: October minutes were approved.

President's Report

Congratulations to Turlock Library for winning "Smartest" Hey Turlock Hey Fave Category.

Treasurer's Report

Carmen reported the FOTPL earned a total of \$441.54 in October from a combination of membership, donations, Friends' Bookstore and interest. Expenses were \$134.46 - \$11.00 Membership expenses, \$92.0 for the P.O. Box and \$31.46 for the small bracelets, etc.... to give away. Our current grand total is \$131,658.81.

Librarian's Report

Diane thanked Brooks, Carmen and Diane for helping at the Halloween Story time and Parade where the 110 attendees gave the FOTPL a round of applause.

The Great Valley Museum will present a FOTPL funded program, "States of Matter," on Tuesday, 11/12.

19 people attended the Fall Centerpieces craft today.
Staff are planning lots of events for December and January.

Old Business:

Advocacy: Carmen reported that Diana Dulaney will allow FOTPL to store books in her single car garage with alley access, on Crane Avenue within sight of the library!

Membership: Diane reported that Hope designed four FOTPL letterheads; the board chose one by vote at this meeting. Hope also donated first batch of paper and envelopes and will print address labels. Jackie contacted the TUSD copy team who said if they receive design on a thumb drive, they can print on our paper and charge us 5 cents per copy. Brooks suggested we offer a two-year membership to cover library closure.

Book Sale Committee Report: Jackie reported that the book sale committee met in October and plans are going smoothly. We will no longer be accepting book donations as of December 1st. Hanna suggested we contact other Friends groups to see if they want excess books.

New library donations: Pat explained that as soon as the Board of Supervisors gives the final approval for the new library, the fundraising committee, including the Ferrari family, will meet to formalize a list of donation options and begin to develop a brochure which should be ready to distribute in March or April.

New Business:

Role of the FOTPL during closure period: Pat explained that we will be focusing on advocacy and fundraising. Jackie volunteered to research an FOTPL meeting location, starting with Century 21.

Library Renovation Update:

Pat announced that the Board of Supervisors will meet at 6 P.M. on 11/19 to grant final approval for the new library and create a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Turlock and Stanislaus County regarding Pop Up Library during construction.

Brian Sontag reported that Clark Pest Control and an engineer recently worked at the Turlock site in preparation for the construction. He currently estimates a nine-month construction closure.

County Librarian, Sarah Denton, said the current plan during construction closure is for the Senior Center to house the Pop Up Library M,T,W & F, 3 - 6 and on Thursdays from 10 - 2 for Story Time. Customers can pick up holds, use self checkout machine and return books. There may be a WiFi hotspot. The staff will be dispersed throughout the county.

Next Meeting: December 4th