

Friends of the Turlock Public Library  
Board Meeting Minutes  
February 3, 2021

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

**Friends Present:** Phyllis Frasier, Dieter and Hanna Renning, Dianne Bartlett, Pat Hickman, Jayne Smith, Mary Salegui, Sheila Younkin, Michelle Coxford and Bryan Sontag.

**Call to Order:** Pat Portwood called the meeting to order at 6:32

## **Welcome**

**Minutes:** Mary moved to approve the January minutes and Sandie seconded.

## **Reports**

**Treasurer:** Carmen reported the following:

Income:	14,514.99
Expenses:	1,256.00
Ck. Acct & time dep:	32,402.03
Library Funds:	262,536.87
Grand total:	294,938.90

The board voted to move the Gallison time deposit into the money market account. The Gallison name will be placed on the donor wall.

**Librarian:** Diane reported that Michelle Coxford, the Children's Librarian, received a grant from the State of California to bring ukuleles to the library - about 40 instruments, tuners, cases and an introductory booklet. She is working with a project advisor from Southern California. A three Zoom workshop bundle will be aimed at teens and tweens, hopefully in June. Diane and Michelle thanked Sandie for her help with the grant.

Diane explained that there was about \$2,285 in FOTPL funds remaining from the year before last and she has only spent \$50 so far this year. There may be a need to request more from FOTPL in 2021, but it's unclear.

## **Old Business**

Membership Report: Diane said that the donor campaign is motivating people to become members. We have 137 members including 57 lifetime members.

Update on Renovation: ([stanislauslibrary.org/turlockexpansion](http://stanislauslibrary.org/turlockexpansion)): Bryan shared that they are putting up the siding and gutters. One of the walkways has been poured. Interior drywall is coming along. Cabinetry is coming in and interior painting is beginning. They are beginning to coordinate moving in shelving, etc....Completion is still expected by late April although a move-in date is still unclear.

Update on Fundraising Committee and Review of Fundraising Packet: Yesterday Jeanni Ferrari met with Patty Hill Thomas and part of the new library design team to talk about the Donor Wall layout. Patrick Jensen will design the walls. The two remaining unsponsored rooms are the Community Room (\$150,000) and the Main Library (\$175,000). Pat, Sarah and Bryan presented new library information to the Turlock City Council last week. February 14th is the last day to donate to be named on the Donor Wall.

Follow up on art competition Ideas by the Art Committee: The FOTPL/Carnegie art contest is now being advertised on the Carnegie Center's website and to their email list. It is also being promoted via the February FOTPL newsletter, Facebook and Instagram pages, the Modesto Bee, the Mistlin Gallery, MoSt Poetry group, Stan State....Stella Beratlis has committed to writing a poem in honor of the new library and reading it at the Grand Opening. Pat shared that Stella will soon be named Stanislaus County Woman of the Year.

Newsletter, Facebook and Instagram updates: The newsletter will come out next week. Phyllis regularly posts FOTPL news and new library updates on Facebook and Instagram.

## **New Business**

Article VI Elections and Terms of Office Discussion: Should FOTPL suspend board changes for '21 to '22? After discussion the board decided to vote on whether or not to suspend for a year at the next meeting. Brooks is resigning in May after 10 years of FOTPL service. Karon Johnson is resigning in June. Pat asked that people let her know if they would like to discontinue their board position. Mary and Diane along with an unnamed person will serve on the Nominating Committee which will be disbanded if it is unnecessary.

Request from FOModestoPL: They have requested donations to support their branch of the Dolly Parton book donation program. We have our own similar program. If anyone is interested in donating to their program \$25 a year supports one child member.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:46

Next meeting: March 3rd, 2021 via Zoom