



Friends of the Modesto Library
Board of Directors Meeting
December 4, 2013
Modesto Library Conference Room

Meeting called to order at 6:35 by President Anne Britton.

Directors present: Jonaca Driscoll, Sully Hannah, Anne Britton, Kathy Johnson, Ellen Dambrosio, Barbara Quinn

Guests: Amy Taylor, Kristine Ezovski, Robin Hill

Minutes of the September 4, 2013 board meeting were approved.

Librarian's Report: Amy Taylor

- The children's room has been painted and is beautiful. There have been many positive comments from library patrons. A thank you will be sent to Kurt Lemmons.
- Winter reading programs include Read to Reindeer and Reading Bingo.
- Work continues as grants are applied for that target Outreach programs for ages 0 to 5.

President's Report: Anne Britton

- The response and compliments for the Newsletter continue to be very good.
- The nominating committee consists of Barbara, Kathy, Judy and Anne and will be in January.
- Sheri Darrough is the new Webmaster and will also take care of the Facebook page.
- The Scholastic Book Fair was once again very successful. Total sales were \$911.46, with more donations to the Wish List. We received \$100 worth of promotions and \$50 credit. Anne thanked all the volunteers.
- The ½ price book sales will take place May 8 through May 14.

Membership: Ellen Dambrosio

- The results from the UNOs fundraiser is unclear at this time. It was decided that our efforts for fundraising should go in other directions.
- We received \$500 from the Macerich Grant for a Back to School Drive.

Action: Motion made by Ellen and seconded by Jonaca to purchase \$500 worth of books from the Macerich Grant contingent on direction from Macerich. Passed unanimously.

- There will be a few changes on the membership form. Ellen reported 153 members and is aiming for 170 next year.

The Little Shop: Kristine Ezovski

- Kristine reported revenue of \$692 last quarter. She said books and toys are big sellers. Higher price items do not sell. There is a need for more children's books. The golf books that were donated will be divided between The Little Shop and the Used book Sale.

Treasurer's Report: Jonaca Driscoll:

Bank balance as of November 30, 2013

Savings: \$1706.90

Checking: \$25219.14

Pay Pal: \$775.00

New Business:

- We discussed whether we should donate to EveryLibrary California or contribute to Save Stanislaus Libraries. Anne will look into the legality of this. Jonaca will meet with Amy to discuss a letter writing campaign.

Old Business;

- Halloween Parade: There were over 90 children who attended with approximately 95 adults. Leftover summer reading awards were handed out along with Smarties. There were many positive comments from parents and thank yous from children. The Stanislaus Library Foundation budgeted \$100 for the parade and total cost was \$97. Gift Cards from Barnes and Noble and gift certificates from The Little Shop were given away in a drawing.
- Ellen had no luck in contacting Christmas Tree decorating at the mall.
- The Annual Membership meeting will be held on March 5 at 6:30. Guest speaker will be Tom Changnon. It was determined that it would be a dessert and wine affair. We may use birdhouse centerpieces from The Little Shop. Barbara is working at finding a location.
- Anne will be e-mailing the Organization Review. She is asking board members to take on an additional duty or two. She sees the president having less responsibility and being more of a leader.

Calendar Review:

- January 15 – Deadline for Newsletter
- March 5- Annual Meeting
- May 8 – 14 - 1/2 Price Scholastic Book Fair

Announcements:

- The Modesto Junior College Renovation is having a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on January 30th at 3:00PM.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 8:25.

Respectfully submitted March 5, 2014

Susan Hannah, Secretary

