



Friends of the Modesto Library
Board of Directors Meeting
June 6, 2012 6:30 P.M.
Modesto Library Conference Room

Called to order at 6:35 by President Anne Britton.

There was a short, but very happy celebration of the passage of Measure T.

Directors present: Anne Britton, Kathy Johnson, Ellen Dambrosio, Jonaca Driscoll, Susan Hannah. Modesto branch library director, Amy Taylor. Guests present Amber O'Brien-VerHulst, Joan Patterson, Ellen Burchett, Clare Noonan, and Teyr Isensee.

Minutes of the Annual Membership Meeting, March 7, 2012 were approved as corrected.

Librarian's Report (Amy Taylor)

- 1- Thank you, thank you to the Friends for all the support of the last several months: 100th Birthday Celebration, Dia De Los Ninos/Libros, Measure T table and calling, Scholastic Book Fair, Used Book Sale, etc.
- 2- Upcoming events include:
 - * Summer reading for adults, teens and children with great prizes to be awarded.
 - *In the next 6-8 weeks, 2000 titles of e-books will become available for checkout. There will be training for staff and readers.
 - *There will be a 2nd Teddy Bear Sleepover, Dinner Theater, Adult Programs, Storytime and Star Wars Event.
- 3- Together with the Stanislaus Library Foundation, the library has asked patrons and supporters to create and decorate a 6x6 tile (\$25) or a 12x12 tile (\$125) to be placed on the columns in the Modesto Library. These are in celebration of the 100th birthday of the Library.
- 4-In the near future, patrons will be able to apply for passports in the reference section of the library, but no photos will be taken. A fee will be charged to bring in additional revenue.
- 5- Amy presented the budget request items and a meeting will be called to discuss approval of those items

President's Report (Anne Britton)

- 1- Save Stanislaus Libraries Campaign will be kept alive in preparation for the next Vote. We discussed contributing money to this fund in preparation for the next campaign.
- 2- Anne thanked Clare for her continued excellent work on the Newsletter. Gene Malone has stepped aside from his role in the newsletter and Clare will take that over.
- 3- The Paula Poundstone Event continues to be successful. We spent \$347 for books and brought in \$400, with still more books on hand. It was also a good opportunity to inform people about Measure T.

4- Once again, the Used Book Sale was a huge success, bringing in \$3665.60. Anne presented Clare with roses to show her appreciation for a job well done. Cathie Peck arranged with her cousin, Ken Beard, to store the books in his warehouse. He has made the same offer for next year.

5- The May Scholastic Book Sale was successful and plans are set to do it again next year. Anne volunteered to be in charge of this event and the November Book Fair as well.

6- Amber reported that Dia De Los Ninos/ Libros was tremendous and she was most grateful for the monetary (\$1000) support, as well the volunteers that made the day a success. She said they were able to give away many more than \$1000 worth of books. There were 12 crafts tables and punch served from the cooler purchased with FOML donation. Over 450 attended and photos were taken by Holly Delona, who donated her time.

7- Teyr has taken over the banking and financial part of The Little Shop. She is using new software and reported that the Little Shop has made over \$1500 since July 1, 2011. Susan Windemuth continues to train new volunteers and Jeanne Miller does the scheduling. An advisory committee will be formed to meet semi regularly. Jeanne asked to be contacted only on the weekend or by e-mail. Anne presented Teyr with roses in appreciation of her work.

Membership (Ellen Dambrosio)

1- Ellen reported 122 paid members for 2012. She will continue to remind the 25 remaining 2011 members that they have not yet renewed.

2- Over \$3000 was earned by shopping at Raley's and SaveMart in one year. She is encouraging more people to sign up at O'Brien's to take advantage of that income and also to use eScrip when shopping online.

3- Ellen Burchett suggested that we could possibly get more members by setting up a membership table at selected events, such as StoryTime, and at the Fund Raiser for the Literacy Center that will be held at the State Theater in September.

Treasurer's Report (Jonaca Driscoll)

Bank Balance as of May 31, 2012

Savings: \$1,283.14

Checking: \$22,382.26

Peti Taylor: \$423.60

Bank of America: \$3478.04

PayPal: \$775

1- Approximately \$1500 has been donated to the Friends in honor of Dr. Frank Burke's 100th Birthday.

ACTION: Motion to approve spending \$125 of that donated money to purchase and create a 12x12 tile for Library fundraiser was moved by Ellen and seconded by Kathy. Passed unanimously.

Suzanne Staud will be asked to design the tile to incorporate the FOML logo. Ellen will contact her and get back to the board with her design for approval, with a note "donated in honor" of Dr. Burke

2- Macerich has once again very generously given a grant of \$500 to Friends of the Modesto Library. They stipulated that the money be spent on purchasing books for the library. The grant

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 P.P. is for program-related expenses only, not to be used as direct contributions or donations to general operating expenses or fundraising. A thank you note will be sent, along with a photo of a child receiving a book.

ACTION: Motion to spend \$3000 on additional e-books out of this year's budget was moved by Jonaca and seconded by Ellen. Passed unanimously.

3-The County Fair will be giving out 500 free books to children on Wednesday July 18, 2012 when the popular children's band, The Wiggles, will be playing. They have asked for donations from the Friends of the Library in Stanislaus. Turlock, Salida and other branches are contributing. Some of the books that were very popular last year were the bilingual books. They handed out a variety of board books (also very popular) through books for high school-age kids.

ACTION: Motion \$200 for purchase of books to be handed out by the library at the Stanislaus County Fair was moved by Ellen and seconded by Jonaca. Passed unanimously.

Old Business:

1- There was a discussion to have a Volunteer Recognition Event. Ellen Burchett said she would co-chair. Kathy and Anne will call Friends to see if they would be interested in co-chairing also. This would probably be held in early September and possible at Lincoln Estates Park. Joan Patterson suggested that it would be most appropriate to spend the remaining Peti Taylor funds to finance this event. There could be 50 to 60 people in attendance.

New Business:

1- The children's Halloween Parade will be help on October 31st from 11:00 to 12:00. Sully will make the arrangements for this event.
2- We will make a list to display the people who donated to Dr. Frank Burke's 100th Birthday. The Board of Directors will select another project in honor of him.

Announcements:

1- Judy provided information she received from the Stanislaus Library Foundation Meetings:

- *The tile fundraiser

- *The Garden Gala will be held on August 25th at the Endsley home with featured speaker, author Cara Black. This is the main fundraiser to support the Stanislaus Foundation.

- *List of some of the funding projects: summer reading program, Teen Programs, Children's Dinner Theater and technology and information needs of the library braches.

- *The Stan Speaks, (Bob Dowd, point man) forum which brings panels of speakers to discuss problems and issues of Stanislaus County has been poorly attended and will be reevaluated for next year.

2- Judy also provided a list of people who volunteered spreading information at the Measure T Table in front of the library.

3-Anne is planning a bookplate work party to get books ready for distribution. It was suggested that people in The Little Shop could help, also.

4-Ellen will find out more information about the book festival in Manteca in October.

5- Calendar review:

Budget Adoption - Mid June

July - County Fair

September 29, 2012 – Love Modesto (suggestion to paint planter walls)

October 13, 2012 – All Kids Craft Fair

October 21-27, 2012 –National Friends of the Library Week

October 31, 2012 – Halloween Parade

November - Scholastic Book Fair

Next Meeting: September 5, 2012 in the Modesto Library Conference Room
6:30

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 8:40.

Respectfully submitted September 5, 2012 by Susan Hannah, Secretary