FRIENDS OF THE PATTERSON LIBRARY MINUTES March 8, 2010

<u>CALL TO ORDER:</u> The meeting was called to order by Pres., Donna Miller, at 1:30 PM in the Library Conference Room.

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT:</u> Marilynne Allen, Chris Bingham, Pat Burch, Khoji Darbani, Trudy deGroot, Cathie Ferreira, Sue Henderson, Sandy McDowell, Maggie Lewis, Ronna Lubker, Donna Miller, Rita Moore, Judy Mullins, Carol Schuler, Kay Swift, Ron Swift and guests from the Historical Society (Phil Breasher, Burta Herger, Joland Schut and Mary Pat Thompson)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA: Agenda was approved as written.

MINUTES: The minutes of the February meeting were read and under Committee Reports (Fundraising/Book Sales), Kay noted that the word *ad* should read *article* since there is a charge for ads in the Irrigator but not for articles. The minutes were approved with this correction.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treas., Sue Henderson, reported that the balance as of February 8, 2010 was \$3,579.89. After expenses and deposits, the balance as of today, March 8, 2010, is \$3,782.19. This does not include the cash box of \$80 and CD of \$2,180.43.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Book Sale – Trudy said that April Weaver from the high school FHA has requested 70-75 books to put in tote bags to give to children as an FHA project. Mary Pat said she had books she would donate for that purpose; but then learned that they are not age appropriate for what the FHA wants. Ronna said she knows of some books at one of the schools that we may be able to use and that she would ask the principal about them. Sue made a motion that the FOL donate money for Ronna to buy books that are needed; then the motion was amended to read that the FOL would donate up to \$300 to purchase the books. Motion passed.

Committee Reports (continued):

Marilynne reviewed the process for setting up for the book sale because we have several new members who may be experiencing their first book sale. There was discussion about whether to try to set up the night before the book sale; but it was decided to set up that morning as in the past.

- B. By-Law Committee Ronna read a report from the By-Law Committee stating that the committee is presenting each member with a copy of the revised By-Laws and Donna made a motion that everyone review them and we move the By-Laws to the April Agenda.
- C. Communications/Publicity Rita had the book sale flyers and book marks printed and passed them out for members to take to various businesses in town. Donna asked if Rita would send some to the other Friends groups in the county. Rita said that she had contacted the Mattos Newspapers in Gustine & Newman and also the Modesto Bee. Donna suggested the theme for the book sale to be "Readers Are Leaders". She also suggested that our October book sale be during National Library Week which is the week of Oct. 17-23. It was decided that the Oct. book sale be Oct. 20, 22, 25.
- D. Membership Thank you letters were sent to the lifetime members along with our 2009 achievements. Donna suggested an idea for next year to send laminated book marks to the lifetime members as a thank you.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. March 13th Library Meeting Donna reminded everyone about the March 13 meeting from 9:00-11:00 at the Modesto Library. We are limited to only 4 members attending.
- B. Parliamentarian Donna suggested that we might want to appoint a parliamentarian for our meetings; but no one volunteered.

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NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Speaker on Parliamentary Procedures Donna suggested that we might want to get a speaker to come to one of our meetings to educate us on parliamentary procedures.
- B. Official Friends of the Library Address There was some discussion about which address to use for FOL correspondence. It was decided to use the Library's address.
- C. Agenda Items Donna said that if anyone has an item they want on the agenda, to let her know before the next meeting.
- D. Sunshine Committee/Corresponding Sec. Donna said that it would be nice to have someone send get well cards to members. Rita said she will do it until someone else wants to take over.
- Patterson Historical Society Presentation Members of the E. Historical Society (who are also members of the Friends of the Library) gave a presentation about why they would like to use the smaller room next door to our meeting room in which to store items and also have a computer with which to do research because they have run out of room at the Museum building. They have been searching for a building/room for a long time without any success. Ron Swift said that Vanessa Czopek, county librarian, wants to charge them \$1400 per month to rent the room. They came to us, (FOL) to ask if we have any objection to them using the room. There was much discussion and Donna made a motion that we would send a letter of support for the Historical Society to Supervisor DeMartini stating that we have no opposition to the Historical Society using the room and no intent for the FOL using this room in which to operate a bookstore. Donna said she will write the letter.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 PM. The next meeting will be April 12, 2010 at 1:30 PM. Respectfully submitted,

Judy Mullins, Secretary