

FRIENDS OF THE PATTERSON LIBRARY

MINUTES October 9, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President, Susan Guest, in the library conference room at 1:00 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Trudy deGroot, Gay Girard, Susan Guest, Sue Henderson, Donald Hess, Marci Homer, Judy Mullins, Amparo Navarro, Yvonne Reynolds

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance

INTRODUCTIONS: There were no new introductions.

MINUTES: The minutes of the September 11, 2023 meeting were read and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Tresurer, Sue Henderson, reported that the balance as of September 11, 2023 was \$7696.70. With no expenses nor deposits, the current balance as of September 11, 2023, is \$7,696.70 plus \$80 in the cash box. Sue said Bank of the West is changing to BMO and someone told her that BMO charges a monthly service fee of \$24.00. She is not sure if that applies to 501(3) organizations also. She will wait till she receives the first statement from them and if they do charge us, will go talk to them about it and if they won't waiver the fee, there was discussion about changing to another bank.

BOOK SALE REPORT: Gay said things are progressing nicely toward the book sale. She had posters to put up at various businesses and book marks to hand out. Yvonne said she has the addresses of 5 little free libraries around town and that it might be a good idea to advertise our book sale at them. Gay said that a lot of nice books have been donated along with some odd donations such as a large framed picture of Patterson and some stamp books. Gay said that she talked with the director of the senior center about the picture and decided to hang it in the Senior Center. She said that she thought the stamp books would be problematic so she bought one of the stamp books because it had someone's name and address in it. Marci said she had done some research on stamp collections and found out that they are not really worth much. She had planned to buy one just to show her grandkids what old stamps looked like. Yvonne said she would contact the schools and let them know about our book sale.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT: Susan Sawyer wasn't at the meeting but she gave Susan Guest her report. The library gets a lot of positive feedback about their continuing children's programs which seem to be bringing more people to the library.

The first Get Crafty event, where people work on their own projects independently was last month. Attendance was small but those who came said they enjoyed it and would be coming back. The next event is October 14 from 10:00 to noon. There will be an adult free-style painting class in

November. If this proves to be popular, it may be scheduled once a month also.

Susan said she contacted the movie licensing company, Swank.com, about prices. One year is \$640, two years \$1,216 and three years \$1,728 which is not as expensive as she thought it might be; but she has some other concerns about the days and times for the movies. She said the Salida Library has movie nights and have between 20-80 people attend and that their Friends group supplies popcorn and drinks. She would like for the Friends to think about this and we can discuss it at the next meeting. She is not asking for any additional funding this month.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Susan Guest said the cost to join the California Library Association is \$25 per year. However, she didn't check on the insurance yet.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm to sort books.

Our next meeting will be November 13, 2023 at 1:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Mullins, Secretary