

FRIENDS of the TURLOCK PUBLIC LIBRARY
MEETING of the BOARD of DIRECTORS

MINUTES

MARCH 2, 2011

CALL to ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS:

In Attendance: Harrison Gibbs, President; Dorothy Finnegan, Vice-Pres; Jeanne Endsley, Treasurer; Pat Hickman, Secretary; Board Members: Cynthia Williams, Donna Oppelt, Dieter Renning, Ann Krabach, Christine Nielsen, Michael Fuller, & Gity Miller. Others present: Jayne Smith, Hanna Renning, Sandy Mann, Brooks Judd, & Carol Blomquist, Turlock Librarian

APPROVAL of MINUTES: On motion by Cynthia/Michael the minutes were approved as corrected. Corrections: p. 1 JOAN'S REPORT 1.) should read "Stanislaus Reads, not Modesto reads; p. 2 Volunteer Luncheon will be on April 16 (not April 20); and p. 3 under School Outreach Committee item 4.) should read give the unused tickets (not used tickets).

Email Board vote on 2/15/11 - Motion: Approve the request of Carol Blomquist, Turlock Librarian, to spend approximately \$3,800 for children & adult supplies (money is in the budget). Motion by Donna/Jeanne – vote result: 10 yes, 3 abstaining.

REPORTS:

A. PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Harrison Gibbs):

- We received a thank you note from Empire Friends of the Library for our giving them books from our book sale for their upcoming book sale.
- Nominating Committee for next years Board & officers should have been selected differently. According to the By-Laws, the Board appoints this committee. On a motion by Dieter/Pat the board appointed Gretchen, Chair, Jeanne, & Gity to this committee. All three agreed and will report back next month.
- We received a thank you note from Vanessa Czopek for our check of \$3,651.59 for the requested supplies for the library. Vote to provide the funding was passed in 2/15/11 email vote.
- The Friends Conference will be at the Salida Library on March 19 from 9 AM – 11 AM

B. TREASURER'S REPORT (Jeanne Endsley):

- On a motion by Donna/Pat the Treasurer's report was approved. Jeanne said the bank again charged us \$6.00 for service charges; she had them correct this so we will be reimbursed. We are not to have a service charge on our account. We need to watch this so we are not charged. In the report, there was a donation of \$100 that had been listed as membership and needs to be moved to donations. Our insurance bill was \$520 – this is more than what we had budgeted; our insurance cost may be based on our membership number.
- On a motion by Cynthia/Gity we approved the bills presented: \$21.67 to Pat Hickman for replacing the lockbox for the Friends' Bookstore; \$160.40 to Sandy Mann for tables for sorting books for the book sale; \$62.62 to Carol Blomquist for supplies for the children's Dr. Seuss's birthday party; and \$286.72 to Harrison for supplies need to repair items at the library. A suggestion was made that the cost of supplies Harrison needed could come from the proceeds from the Friends' Book Store as all the proceeds, above our cost to operate the bookstore, must go to the Turlock Public Library.

C. MEMBERSHIP (Christine Nielsen): We now have 303 members.

D. LIBRARIAN'S REPORT (Carol Blomquist):

- Fifty children and adults attended the Valentine workshop on Sat. 2/12/11; Susan wanted to thank everyone who helped with the party and the clean up.
- The "Find the Cat in the Hat's Hat" will run Feb. 19 - March 4, 2011.
- Dr. Seuss's birthday party was March 2, 2011. Everyone enjoyed the crafts, games and birthday cake – 64 children & adults participated.
- In-N-Out Burger's *Cover to Cover* program ages 4 – 12 will be between 3/5 – 4/16. When a child reads 5 books (or has them read to them if they are young) the child will receive a certificate for a free hamburger or cheeseburger; there is a limit of 3 rewards per child as long as the supply last.
- Carol has been talking to people about doing fund-raisers for the "yes on libraries, 2012" campaign. A Hughson service organization, that does very successful fund raising, is willing to share with any group who would like to do what they do. Carol will get more information for us, so we can decide if we want to look in to this as a fund raiser for the upcoming campaign. Discuss at the next Board meeting.
- Turlock Library January's circulation statistics were down 10.1% (2,827 fewer items) from Jan. 2010 (27,906). Many people are still saying, "I didn't know you were open on Tuesday," or "How long have you been open on Tuesdays?"

E. BOOK BIN COMMITTEE (Joan Ahlstrand):

- For February the Book Bin we sold 66 items; the proceeds were \$111.38
- Hanna reported that Ritzy Ragz wanted the bookshelves moved 6 inches inward so the area next to the Book Bin could have a little more space. The shelves have been moved.

H. FRIENDS' BOOKSTORE – Faye/Christine/Pat/Dorothy

- Proceeds from Friends Library for January was \$260 and for February \$338.65
- Volunteers in the store no longer maintains a "mark off list" of the books sold, they only need to write book name down in the spiral note book
- Continue the store and review again in 6 months
- Suggestion Envelope" is in the store on side of bookcase – anyone with suggestions please place them there – not in the spiral note book.
- Continue to need volunteers to man the store, contact Pat for volunteer times needed.

IV. OLD BUSINESS –

- School Outreach committee met and said there was not enough time in this school year to plan an activity. Possibly just approach one grade leveling the schools next school year. After the new board has formed and had an opportunity to review this program they can decided what we want to do, if anything, with this program in the future.

V. NEW BUSINESS -

- "Stanislaus Reads" is in need of funds to purchase all the books for the program this year. On a motion by Pat/Ann the Board agreed to give the program \$200.00. Review this program in the future to see if our Board wants to donate more money to the program.
- *Streams* book –
 - Gity will be looking into putting one copy of *Streams* on EBAY to see if we can sell any there. She will checking for on-line prices to determine the price we should charge. Amazon has a used copy for \$11; one *Streams* book (1st addition) is selling for \$45.50.
 - Pat will make the 'bookplates' for the copies we intend to give away to individuals who have donated to us, etc. Gity will report back next month on the status of our *Streams* books.

MEETING ADJOURNED: On motion by Michael/Donna the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM. Next meeting @ 7 PM Wednesday, March 2, 2011

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Hickman, Secretary