

**FRIENDS OF THE AMADOR COUNTY LIBRARY  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF  
MAY 21, 2013**

**ATTENDANCE:** Helen Bierce, Janie Brown, Janet Caccia, Kati Coursaut, Sandy Sullivan, Bonnie Toy, Terri Works

Sandy shared an article about the Little Free Library movement. The minutes for April were approved.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The board discussed the possibilities of monthly giving. Several people already do this (i.e. for large print and children's). There was a discussion of restricted gift vs. general giving. The board discussed what information should be posted to the website. Currently the bylaws and minutes of board meetings are posted there. We will now post agendas and the "Statement of Activities" financial report. We will have an audit done shortly - the first will be through Dec. 31, 2012 and audits will continued on a calendar year basis.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Laura was not present and there was no report.

**SERVICE DESK:** No decision has been made on when the fundraiser letter should go out as we are waiting for the timeline of the library remodel. Ruth Jackson's family has agreed that we can use her name in the drive and designate this the Ruth Jackson Memorial Service Desk.

**JOB DESCRIPTIONS:** Sandy brought a proposed format and the board agreed to it. Every job needs an accompanying set of operating procedures.

**AMADOR COUNCIL OF TOURISM:** Helen Bierce is the board rep to the council and brought several matters to the board's attention.

1. We need to pay our dues
  2. The council has quarterly evening meet ins. Could we host one at the library? We would just need to provide the refreshments. We agreed to host the Sept 12 Council get together.
  3. The County Fair Foundation Board will be presenting noted cowboy poet Baxter Black on October 18. They aim to sell 50 tickets at \$50 each.
- A discussion ensued about whether our upcoming Boots n Books event would be adversely effected by the Fair board's event. Nothing definitive was decided but there was concern that the county would not support two similar events in a short time period. This has been left for further discussion.

**NEWSLETTER:** The newsletter will be published in color from now on. The additional cost is minimal and the color newsletter is seen to be much more effective as an outreach vehicle.

**ROTARY:** Sandy reported that Rotary International and the district body gave the Ione

chapter several awards for their work on the Ione Library.

**FARMER'S MARKET:** Sarah Hart is willing to continue with the market and will bring plans to the June meeting. We will only be at Pine Grove and Sutter Creek this year.

**PUBLICITY:** Elaine and Kati are working on a publicity protocol.

**FUNDRAISING:** Bonnie is a member of the county wine grape growers association. They have a major fundraiser at the county fair each year and for this they hire an even planner. Could we use one for the concert? Bonnie will research the cost.

**RETREAT:** The retreat will be in August at Elaine's house, in lieu of a regular board meeting. The agenda so far includes board recruitment, member recruitment and fundraising. We had a brief discussion about the make up of the board and whether we would be better with fewer members. Some standing jobs could be done by non-boardmembers. This will be added to the discussion at the retreat about board recruitment.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Terri Works