

**FRIENDS OF THE AMADOR COUNTY LIBRARY
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
November 17, 2015**

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Janie Brown, Jan Hewitt, Jim Powell, Michele Powell, Elizabeth Rhein, Rick Sprenkel, Bonnie Toy; Laura Einstadter (ex officio)
ABSENT: JoAnn Chevrette

Sprenkel called the meeting to order at 9:03 am, called the roll, and declared a quorum.
M/S/P: Brown/M Powell /unanimous to accept the October 2015 minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE

Hospice – general donation letter
Mother Lode Newcomers – decline grant application
Calaveras Friends - newsletter

TREASURER’S REPORT

10/20-11/16 report
M/S/P: Rhein/M Powell/unanimous to accept.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Discussion of minor renovations to be funded by the county.
Kari attended the CA Library Association Conference 11/05-08/15 in Pasadena.

Arts Council – idea of public art monthly in the library starting 1/1/16; possibly public opening events.
Todd Borg appearance 10/28/15 had 23 attendees.
Discussion of possible future event featuring local authors.
Brown queried re Friends conferences.

NEW BUSINESS

SHELVING

Rotary grant for shelving: District \$2500, Jackson Rotary \$2500.
M/S/P M Powell/Toy/unanimous for FACL to make up any difference.
Action: Einstadter will order shelves.

HOLIDAY EVENT

December 9, 5:30 pm, Sprenkel’s home. Guests to bring heavy hors d’oeuvres.
Action:
Committee chairs to provide names of committee members and active volunteers to invite.

JANUARY CONFLICT FOR PRESIDENT

Brown will preside at January 19 meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

DIGITIZING AMADOR LEDGER DISPATCH MICROFILM – J Powell

We have \$11232.25 in this fund.

We have a \$1,000 pledge from each of 3 Native Sons parlors, totaling \$3,000, and are trying for a matching grant. The \$3,000 will come to us in January 2016.

FACL has pledged \$4,000 (Board allocation).

We are still waiting for Stan Luckowicz \$5,000 pledge and Ledger Dispatch \$2,500 pledge to be paid.

Agreement, not voted:

Work will not begin until all above-noted cash is on hand.

Actions:

Einstadter to contact vendor to make sure their quote is still good.

Sprenkel to contact Stan Luckowicz re holding his suggested high-donors reception in January.

Sprenkel to contact Jack Mitchell re Ledger Dispatch pledge.

BOARD CANDIDATES

Sandy Campbell has talked with Brown and will consider being a candidate after the AAUW Home Tour is completed.

Allen Kuhn was discussed as a candidate.

We continue to recruit new board members.

LITTLE FREE LIBRARIES / READ ACROSS AMADOR – Rhein

Next meeting has not been scheduled.

Pine Grove library status discussed.

Agreement, not voted:

FACL can make books available monthly for this program.

Action:

Sprenkel and Rhein will meet with Nina Machado re goals and structure of Read Across Amador.

RECORDS RETENTION – Toy

Einstadter provided Board meeting minutes from earlier years to Toy.

Action:

Toy will make copies of these minutes.

ADVOCACY PROGRAM/FRIENDS APPRECIATION EVENT – Hewitt, Rhein

Possible dates: 02/18/16 or 02/15/16.

State Librarian has not responded re his availability.

Action:

Einstadter to re-contact him regarding a date.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ANNUAL CONCERT – M Powell

Jim Guidi will be master of ceremonies.

Tickets will be sold at Hein & Company and Motherlode Music.

Raffle prizes – Toy

4 Disneyland tickets, value \$620

Hyatt Regency Tahoe Incline Village, 2 nights at Regency Club level

Helen's condo

Lucy's Spice Box dinner

Jerry Brown caricatures by Jack Ohman of Sacramento Bee

Quilt (Toy)

Discussion of silent auction vs. raffle

Discussion of PayPal card reader

Action:

Brent & Jeff Hardware in Pine Grove will be asked to be a third ticket outlet.

BOOK SALE/BOOK ROOM –Brown

Round Table donated pizza for Cal Fire

Sunday was very busy.

Question: Do we have all receipts?

Action:

Toy will approach supermarkets re contributing handle bags.

J Powell will send a thank-you email to members

COMMUNICATIONS – J Powell

Next newsletter to be published in January.

Content needed: book review, upcoming events, Rotary grant story

Action:

Rhein to photograph Grommit for newsletter. (Einstadter has photo releases on file for Grommit attendees.)

MEMBERSHIP – Toy

Cleaning of email list continues.

J Powell will send an email to life members about donating.

Helen Bierce will talk to Amador Tourism Board

Discussion of attracting business-level members.

Action:

M/S/P Rhein/Toy/Unanimous FACL will join Amador County Chamber of Commerce.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, January 19, 2015, 9 a.m., at the GSA Building.

ADJOURNMENT

Sprenkel adjourned the meeting at 10:31 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Rhein
Secretary