

Friends of the Yolo Branch Library of Yolo

Approved Minutes

May 5, 2015

Meeting called to order by Meg Sheldon at 6:15 p.m. Roll taken.

Members attending: Meg Sheldon, Norma Plocher, Priscilla Bolinder, Yolanda Gruwell, Bonnie Weiss
Jillian Zeidner - Volunteer
Rachel Wolf - Library Staff, Sharon Hallberg - Library Advisor Board Liaison,

Approval of Minutes from April 7, 2015 meeting. Sharon Hallberg moved to approve April minutes.
Priscilla Bolinder seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report (Priscilla's report) -

Balance as of April 7, 2015	\$7616.93
Income	\$ 545.57
Expenses	\$ 519.09
Balance as of May 5, 2015	\$7643.41

Priscilla presented invoice from Mad Sciences of Sacramento Valley - \$381. Yolanda Gruwell moved to accept, Sharon Hallberg seconded. Motion passed.

Correspondence and Announcements: Meg passed note from Susie Richter thanking us for her retirement celebration. Yolanda presented a web site she found in AARP magazine that provides input for libraries. Meg presented on: Putting Youth on the Map Session - Yolo County Office of Education.

Action Items - nothing to report

Old Business:

Building Planning - Meg reported members met with Community Center Board and Mr. Charles Jensen, Attorney - he is providing support to Community Center. Community Center not showing a profit and so decision to dissolve and dispose of building and property. Discussion followed regarding Friends taking the property, building and money from Community Center. Seek advice from Duane Chamberlain, Supervisor for our district. Resolution: cost of taking building down and meet with Duane. Recommended meeting with Cindy Tuttle with the County. Cindy involved with West Sacramento Friends.

May 14 - 4 p.m. - meet with Cindy Tuttle from County Administrators Office at the Community Center. All members encouraged to attend.

Meg feels the library is high priority for Duane Chamberline and he is very interested in our community having what it needs.

Architect Report - two firms interviewed, JK Architects & WMB Architects. - Reference checks conducted, Priscilla and Rachel feel that WMB Architects were sensitive to all options. JK did not seem as committed to listening to the community about the needs of the Yolo Library. Bonnie - WMB presentation was more practical with regard to our community.

Capital Fund Committee Rept - Meg reported. Meg and Mary Stephens meeting with people to develop framework for Yolo Library. Priscilla reported on her visit to Esparto Library.

Grant Committee Report - Jillian - reported she sent Arata Brothers an e-mail requesting feedback regarding the denial of the grant submitted to them. No response received as of the May meeting. Jillian researching other avenues of funding. Sharon Hallberg will take lead to set up Grants Committee Meeting in July 2015.

Outdoor Benches - Sharon reported - kit available for \$98 from Home Depot - Woodland. Sharon donating the funds to purchase the bench. Mr. Bolinder will lead construction by teen members. Decorating bench to be done by the community.

Community Events - Dia de los....Sharon Hallberg reported. Children and families flowed in and out filling the library to standing room only. Dancers from Winters performed. About 20 children from Yolo community. Rachel reported crafts, free book, face painting - various activities going on. Good event. Only drawback is it was held during Spring Break.

Literacy Symposium - Meg and Sharon attended. Sharon reported. Literacy level very low in Yolo County schools. Tied into poverty, nutrition, etc. Diverse attendance. Follow up will be presented at October 1, 2015 meeting.

Membership Champion Reports - Yolanda reported on Dunnigan - Dunnigan residents do not feel connected to Yolo to use the library. The Little Library is very successful. Mobile home park donating duplicates to Little Library in Dunnigan. Transportation and language big issue. Rachel offered Hispanic books and Yolanda agreed this would be good. Yolo Friends to provide \$30 for Jillian to purchase some Hispanic books.

Teen Report - Rachel - reported on the various types of rockets the group made and launched. Celebrated Josh's birthday with a cake. The group will meet at the end of May and will discuss benches. Meg feels that the kids are feeling more comfortable with this library. Read off fines - no one participated. In and Out Cover to Cover reading resulted in four certificates for burgers. May is Asian Hawaiian Heritage Month and the children will make leis.

Jillian - reported she has not had a lot of time to post information on public media. Looking for suggestions for information on Facebook page. Posting literacy information.

Next meeting June 2, 2015.

Meeting adjourned 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Plocher, Secretary