

**FRIENDS OF THE YOLO BRANCH LIBRARY OF YOLO
MINUTES – MARCH 6, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

Meeting called to order at 6:15 pm by President Meg Sheldon. Members of the Board present: Sue Alves, Priscilla Bolinder, Yolanda Gruwell, Bill Hatcher, Rosie Ledesma, Lynnel Pollock, and Bonnie Weiss. Member absent and excused was Kathy Hernandez. Also present were Sharon Hallberg (Yolo County Library Advisory Board), Yolo County Library staff Sue Billing, Dana Christy and Mark Fink. Special guest Doug Davis.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The February 6, 2018 minutes were reviewed. Yolanda motioned to approve, Priscilla seconded. Approved and carried.

CORRESPONDENCE & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Mary Jane Haws sent a letter about the library that will be brought to next meeting
- Yolo County Archives would like an article from the Friends group, due March 15. Meg will provide photo.
- Library Advisory Board has an opening. Board meets quarterly.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Priscilla shared that there was an Amazon Smile donation. Lynnel asked if PO Box was free like it was for residents. Priscilla didn't believe so, but would look into it. She distributed the February 2018 Income and Expense Statement. Yolanda motioned to approve the report, Bonnie seconded. Approved and carried.

Lynnel motioned to renew domain fee for \$41 for 5 years. Yolanda seconded. Approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

County-wide Friends Fair Booth:

Friends discussed sharing cost and staffing at fair booth in main exhibit hall. Friends decided to not participate at this time.

July Meeting Update:

July meeting will be moved to July 10.

Board Membership:

Friends discussed how to recruit members as Yolanda and Priscilla's terms will be expiring this year. Yolanda will draft flyer to post at Dunnigan mobile home park. Friends will discuss further at next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Farewell to the Historic Yolo Branch Building:

Over 100 people attended farewell event. Most had fond memories of the old library and were excited about the new library.

Spring Celebration Planning Update:

Sue Alves sent a reminder email for donations and may send another soon. Sue Billing event shared flyers and said that Lisa will distribute next week. Boxes of books are ready to give out. Any donations can be brought to library, high school or Meg's house.

Proposed Yolo Branch Library 2018/19 Budget:

Group discussed itemized summary presented at last meeting. Yolanda motioned to approve increased budget, Lynnel seconded. Approved.

Yolo Branch Library Report:

Sue Billing shared that the gate counts and program numbers were the same as last year. Virtual reality team came for teen group. There will be a teen from Davis coming to help at homework club.

Building Update:

- Property Purchase Update & Modular Move Update: Mark shared that they will be moving on Friday and there will be a soft opening for modular on Saturday. Mark and Meg met with Supervisor Chamberlain last week. Chamberlain attended the farewell event. Mark is working on more solid figures for library costs. County now owns property to north of library.
- EIR Update: Doug reported that the information provided was sufficient for the EIR. Still on track for draft in April.
- Project Schedule: Doug came up with schedule outside of EIR which can overlap with public comment period. Doug will send out schedule. Doug shared that the community advisory meeting in February only had 2 members attend.
- Friends Space Survey: Meg gave a summary of Friends' spaces and found that a good deal involved book sales and records. Friends thought that the proposed space in the new building was sufficient and could include adjustable shelves and a fold out work area.
- Funding Campaign Steering Committee Update: Too soon to solicit for committee but will reach out to Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation.
- Report from Fundraising & Philanthropy Presentation: Dana gave brief report on the Yolo County Non-Profit Leaders Alliance and how they are retraining staff to better serve clientele and spend less on staffing costs. She mentioned that sharing the Big Day of Giving on Facebook is a big help and shared a suggestion that we encourage people to "like" our Facebook page to enhance Big DOG communication.
- Historic Memories Update: Meg distributed list of items and ideas to preserve and/or replicate.

Big Day of Giving Update:

This year's Big DOG will be on May 3.

Car Show Planning Update:

Saturday's kick off went well. Group came up with a template for event. This year's event will be on August 25. Price of registration will increase, but the number of cars will be kept at 100-125.

Garage Sale Thoughts:

Rosie shared thoughts about this year's garage sale and asked Friends to get ideas and a feel from community.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.