

Friends of the Yolo Branch library of Yolo County
Annual Meeting
Minutes of Sept 16, 2014

Attendees: There were 15 people in attendance and 11 proxy votes, which constitutes a quorum under the bylaws.

Meg called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

Welcome and Introductions:

Meg introduced Lynnel Pollock, Patty Wong and Mary Stevens DeWall noting that Gary Bunch had accepted the position as treasure of the capital campaign. She then introduced the current board Sara Andrade, Mary Jo Hoes, Bonnie Weiss, Jim Adan, Joe Cruz, Priscila Bollinger who was absent, Yolanda Sue Gruwell, and Sharon Hallberg who is our liaison from the countywide Library Advisory Board.

Madison our youngest attendee and Meg Sheldon our president blew out the candle for our first year anniversary.

Meg reviewed agenda and asked for additions.

Incorporation & Non Profit Status:

Meg announced that we are now incorporated legally at the Federal Level and California is pending and expected soon.

Membership:

Bonnie told us that our membership is now 80 and 8 of those are children. She stressed how important it is that we have members for the support of the library programs and building campaign, as well as for seeking grants. Because of cell phones we no longer have phone books to locate people other than going door to door.

Programs

Susan Richter our librarian welcomed us and told us that the library had a Summer Reading Program, Natures critters, Wow and Science Wizard this summer. All with the help of the Friends of the Yolo Branch Library. Now the library also has a movie license thanks to Friends of the Yolo Branch Library. The library also has monthly crafts, Meg does puzzles with kids, and they have a new book drop (drive by). In November Teen Take Over was started with different activists and having food seems to bring the teens. Next month is a Salsa cook off and they talk about current events or situational conversations. The library also has support for people looking for jobs including printing resumes and help with job applications. First Five donated funds for a family area, which includes a rug, chair, manipulatives and toddler area. The Davis Friends donated board games. Susan stated that once the school bus hits town the library is full.

Fund Raisers

Sara talked about our collaboration with Cache Creek High School. This year we worked together to put on an Easter Egg Hunt with a book sale, hot dogs, and games. She asked for more ideas for additional fund raisers.

Keeping you posted through our Website

Mary Jo pointed out that we have the best asset ever in Kitty Schlosser. Kitty keeps our web site up to date. Not all libraries have such a gift. The web site www.friendsofyolibrary.org posts agendas, minutes, and librarians reports. The web site also has links to the County Library site.

Preparation to Make Grant Applications

Mary Jo also reported that the Grants Committee has been working on gathering data about our community. She said that we have not been able to submit an application as of yet because of not having our non-profit number but we have it now. Through Patty Wong's student a grant has been prepared for funds to do a survey of the desires and needs of our community. This is a small grant and a beginning.

Building Update:

Meg said that we need to seriously look at what we are going to do with the building. Several community meetings have been held to get input. We want to keep services in the community. Meg noted that we can't do it without you. Patty Wong added that significant involvement is needed and wanted.

Current Activities:

Membership drive, Teen Program "Monthly Teen Takeover", "Summer Science Program" "World of Wonder", "Natures Critters", "Science Wizard", "Little Lending Libraries" (Zamora, Yolo, Dunnigan), and "Fundraising". We are always looking for volunteers and ideas.

Activities for Coming Year:

- Increase membership
- Explore Building Options -- Community input offered:
 - Lynnel Pollock asked if we had considered professional fund raising to kick off the building fund.
 - Crowd source funding was suggested
- Kick off Building Funding Campaign
- Fund Raisers to support Library Programming

Financial Statement

Meg passed out the financial statement showing this year and what the plan was for next year. She thanked the Davis Friends for funding some of our start up and the little lending libraries. The memorials have helped a lot. Proposed budget is a slight increase over last year and funding for programs such as teen, summer programs, professional presentations and movie license are included.

Proposed budget for July 1, 2014-June 30,2015

The proposed budget was moved by Sharon Hallberg and seconded by Yolanda Sue. Carried unanimously.

Election of officers

Nominated Board members & Officers are:

President	Meg Sheldon, Yolo
Vice President	Sara Andrade, Yolo
Secretary	Marcia Faris, Zamora
Treasurer	Priscilla Bolinder, Woodland
Members at Large	Jim Adan, Yolo
	Larry (Joe) Cruz, Yolo
	Tina Day, Yolo
	Yolanda Sue Gruwell, Dunnigan
	Bonnie Weiss, Yolo

It was moved by Mary Jo and seconded by Lynell Pollock that the nominated board be seated. Passed unanimously.

Meg thanked us for attending and encouraged everyone to attend monthly meetings
Patty Wong introduced Rachael Wolf library representative for our region, Sara
Ferguson outgoing regional representative who will stay on in a volunteer position.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:44 PM