Friends of the Empire Library Minutes of General Meeting September 7, 2010

The meeting was called order to by Jim Sterling at 6:03 P.M. He welcomed everyone and introduced Sally Owens, who had helped with the Book Sale.

Motion by Marye Martinez, second by Roz Starn, to accept the minutes of June 1, 2010 as presented. Motion carried.

There was no Secretary's report.

Treasurer Roz Starn presented the April-August, 2010 Treasurer's report. Roz explained that Owen Baker-Flynn, the juggler/magician who did a show at the library during the summer, ended up costing less than originally quoted. We have an ending balance of \$983.17 in the treasury. Motion by Susan Harmon, second by Marye Martinez, to accept the report. Motion carried.

Jim told us a former teacher has donated several boxes of books for our spring book sale.

Our branch Manager, Martha Perales, has a craft activity planned for September 14th. She turned in receipts to Roz and will be getting \$25 to start this year's craft fund. Carolyn Di Piero will research the cost of additional letters for the bulletin board at the front of the library parking lot.

Jean Rogers summarized the August 3rd National Night Out sponsored by the Village Christian Fellowship Church. Martha attended the event to represent the library.

Our Halloween event will be held Saturday, October 30th from 2 to 4 P.M. Discussion was held on possible activities. We will again be working with the PTA on this activity. The Stanislaus Foundation will reimburse us up to \$100 (with verified receipts) for the event.

Membership was tabled until the October meeting. Lisa Honberger will be the Membership chairperson.

Gloria McGill is still worked with Jim on securing 501 (c) (3) status for FOEL.

Jim challenged each of us to bring a friend to the meeting in October.

Erin Knight-Cary and Marye will continue holding the art contests at the elementary school. This will be discussed more at a later date.

Jim reminded us about the 2012 Library Funding tax renewal and our need to be committed to its passage. Carolyn suggested looking into using the large bulletin board on Scenic Avenue (near the county hospital).

The Junior High Book Club idea was tabled until October.

Meeting adjourned at 6:59 P.M.

Next meeting : October 5th at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Harmon, Secretary