

FRIENDS OF THE HUGHSON LIBRARY

January 2, 2009

Hughson Library

President Joan House called the meeting to order at 9:15 AM. Those present: Linda Berck, Mary Anne Aldrich, Marilyn Davenport, Margaret Rodgers, Adrienne Beck, Heather Bailey, Jim Sterling, Mary Gonzales, Amy Taylor, Jean Henley, Joan House, and Librarian, Isabel Figueroa.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Linda Berck, Vice President, read the minutes of November 7, 2008. The minutes were approved as corrected.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Lorraine Cunningham, reported there was no activity since the last meeting and the balance remains at \$3,094.35.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT: Isabel Figueroa wanted to make it clear that our meeting times should not be based on her schedule, but it was agreed to leave the time the same at least until the next meeting. Isabel stated that she plans on visiting the schools to promote the Library. She suggested Victor Villasenor, who writes both children and adult's books to be the author for a future event. If the grant we are applying for will be approved.

CORRESPONDENCE: Peggy Bowen has sent Thank You cards to Best Cabinets and All Star Trophies for their contributions to our plaque for "Friends" members that have passed.

OLD BUSINESS: Joan House reported that we will be sponsoring the Hughson Youth Leaders for Literacy as agreed and we are contributing up to \$500.00 to assist them in promoting reading and education to children in the community. Marilyn Davenport consulted our by laws to assure that we could change them with a vote, thus; it was voted on and approved to change the by laws so the quorum number will include officers. With that vote, we voted that the new officers were elected as follows: Joan House, President, Eileen King, Vice President, Linda Berck, Secretary. The position of Treasurer is still pending, with Lorraine Cunningham as interim Treasurer. It was also voted that the dues be raised for individuals to \$10.00 for individuals and family to \$15.00.

Amy Taylor, branch manager, reminded us that Vanessa Czopek, County Librarian, will discuss fund raising possibilities at the meeting in the Modesto Library on March 14, 2009 from 9-11AM, all "Friends of the Library" are invited. Jean Henley volunteered to encourage council members & elected officials to join "Friends of the Library".

NEW BUSINESS: Joan House did some research on having a Farmers Market and is going to contact Steve Christy for more information on how to proceed. She also has a local author to consider for speaking, Bill Weber, author of a book about training your brain for success. We are also still considering the Arts and Crafts Fair for next year as a means of selling our books. Linda Berck updated the accomplishments of the previous year to send with the membership renewals and now that approved, will be in the mail soon. Jim Sterling, a visitor from Empire suggested a copy also be sent to the Hughson Chronicle. Marilyn Davenport has brought up some points in our by laws that need to be reviewed and rewritten.

NEXT MEETING: March 6, 2009, Friday in the Library at 9AM

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Berck, Secretary