FRIENDS OF THE HUGHSON LIBRARY September 1, 2016

President Joan House called the meeting to order at 5 PM Those present: our librarian, Heather Bailey, Linda Berck, Joan House, Rebekah Maraccini, Bev Cornelius, Margaret Rodgers, Jean Henley-Hatfield, Shelley Tucker, Cathee Vaughn, Joan Russo, and a new member, LaNin Fisher.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Linda Berck, Secretary, read the minutes of July 11, 2016. They were approved except Heather corrected the wording about cashing the check at the bank, which stirred a new heated discussion on the subject. It was suggested that we change banks if they continue to charge our Librarian for cashing our checks.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Vicki Fontana, our Treasurer, was not present. Joan House commented that Vicki has recently lost both of her parents within a couple of days and her absence is understood. Joan also reported that she sent flowers and a card from FOHL.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT: The theme for the Christmas float has changed to "The Grinch Who Stole Christmas". Heather plans on having children dressed as little "Who's". Another activity coming up is a "Teddy Bear Picinic" for National Teddy Bear Day on September 9th. Heather will have a little tea party with teddy bears and they can bring their own. There will be tiny cupcakes served. September 11th is "Grandparents Day" so there will be activities to do with Grandparents. In other news; Heather has been nominated by the Association for Rural and Small Libraries to attend a conference in Fargo, North Dakota. Her goal is to find three things that other small libraries do that she can implement at our Library. She is quite excited and worried about packing for cold country since she is only accustomed to California weather.

OLD BUSINESS: Heather contacted Main Street Deli to cater the "Mixer" we are hosting with the Library and The Hughson Chamber of Commerce and they said they would not charge for the service. We discussed whether we need to supply plates and supplies. Heather wants to decorate the Library with a Fall theme and she will get help from her assistant, Mandy and get eating implements if we need them. We agreed to reimburse her for any supplies she needs. We are not yet sure if they will allow wine in the library, but Jean said The Chamber usually furnishes wine if we can have it. Heather is sending invitations and passing out flyers. Linda gave her a list of current members to be invited. It will be September 20th at 6:30PM, at the Library.

NEW BUSINESS: Joan said she wrote a check for \$100.00 to support "Save the Library", the campaign in favor of maintaining the 1/8 cent sales tax to keep libraries open. We also gave gift cards to all of the librarians for doing a good job.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Berck, Secretary

NEXT MEETING: Thursday November 3, 2016 at 5PM at the Library