

Friends of the Modesto Library Annual Membership Meeting March 7, 2018 Modesto Library Auditorium

Refreshments and social time 5:30

Meeting called to order at 5:45 by co-presidents Maree Hawkins and Denise Nordell.

Officers and Directors present: Christine Brereton, Anne Britton, Cande Brody, Ellen Dambrosio, Jonaca Driscoll, Pat Glattke, Jean Haven, Maree Hawkins, Denise Nordell, Pam Pallios, Cathie Peck, Carmen Pedrioli, Barbara Quinn

Chris Moreno, Modesto Library Manager

Guests: Carol Shour, Joanne Meinhardt, Diane McDonnell, Amy Burrow, Marilyn Drew, Amber O'Brien-VerHulst, Claudia Sargent, Beverly Schlegel, Thomas Kaps, Mary Alice Metzler, Karen Williams, Julie Reuben, Noel Russell, RJ Moriconi

Presidents Denise Nordell and Maree Hawkins introduced themselves and welcomed everyone.

Year in Review:

Denise and Maree shared some of the many activities FOML has been involved with this year and thanked those responsible. Slides of participants enjoying these events accompanied their presentation.

Included were:

Rosemary Wells visiting author event Membership outreach Used Book Sale Scholastic Book Sales

Website revision Juvenile Hall Library and book clubs

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Award Presentation:

Karen Williams, Executive Director of LearningQuest presented Denise Nordell with the 2018 Betty Mulnix Service Award in recognition of Distinguished Service in the Field of Literacy.

County Library Director: Diane McDonnell

Diane introduced Modesto Library Supervisor Chris Moreno and newly hired Library Operations Supervisor, Thomas Kaps.

She shared several projects completed or in progress during the past year:

- One-Point service information desk in the Modesto Library
- Discover and Go partnership between the library and cultural centers offering passes for free admission
- Physical improvements outside lighting, children's bathrooms, electric vehicle charging station
- New library for Empire and expansion for Turlock library
- Youth Services Outreach programs expansion

Modesto Library Update: Chris Moreno

Chris thanked FOML for its generous support making possible more programs for children, teens, and adults. Highlights were a 40% increase in the summer reading challenge, additional story times, a monthly program for young adults transitioning into adulthood, an updated parenting collection of books, and library staff conference attendance.

Amber O'Brien-VerHulst, Coordinator of Children's Programs, thanked FOML for its support of Dia de los Niños/Libros activities and the Harry Potter Yule Ball. She enthusiastically shared the joy of the participants and invited members to attend in the future.

Finance Report: Jonaca Driscoll

March 1, 2017 - February 28, 2018

Expenses: \$ 30,248.75 Income: \$ 23,030.50 Total assets as of 2/28/17 \$ 11,138.81

Jonaca pointed out that expenses exceeded income last year, and in order to continue spending at that rate we need to find ways to increase our income.

Election of Board Officers and Directors for 2017-18

Pat reported that the Nominating Committee consisting of Jonaca, Christine, Denise, and Pat proposed the following slate of officers for the term July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019:

President: Denise Nordell Vice-President: Pat Glattke Secretary: Anne Britton Treasurer: Jonaca Driscoll MOTION: Pat moved that the proposed slate of officers be approved. The motion was seconded by Christine and passed unanimously.

Upcoming Events and Volunteer Opportunities

May 5 Used Book Sale

May 9-12 Scholastic Book Sale
April 7 Dia de los Niños/Libros
April 28 Shining Star Awards

June 6 FOML Board of Directors Meeting

Door Prizes:

Raffle prizes, provided by Maree, were won by Carmen, Pat, Beverly, and Joanne.

Comments:

RJ Moriconi suggested the library look into the following:

- Reach out to secondary education libraries in the area to link resources
- Develop a plan to send books to the families of newborns
- Post on their website a link to the Modesto Art Museum, a virtual museum totally on-line, focusing on the architectural treasures in the area. Bob Barzan is the contact person.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 and refreshments and conversation were enjoyed by those attending until the Board of Directors meeting started at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted on June 6, 2018.

Jean Haven Secretary