

# **FRIENDS OF THE PATTERSON LIBRARY MINUTES**

## **April 10, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by President, Peter LaTorre at 1:10 PM in the library conference room.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Diane Adams, Pat Burch, Helen Castro, Trudy deGroot, Susan Guest, Xia Thao, Sue Henderson, Peter LaTorre, Judy Mullins and new member, Linda Groves

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE:** Members recited the pledge.

**INTRODUCTIONS:** A new member joining us today is Linda Groves.

**MINUTES:** The minutes of the March 13, 2017 meeting were read and approved.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Treas., Sue Henderson, reported that the balance as of March 13, 2017 was \$6,696.39. After expenses and deposits, the balance as of April 10, 2017 is \$6,294.50. This does not include the cash box of \$80 and the CD of \$2,311.46. Sue mentioned again that the CD matures next month and we have to decide what to do with it.

**LIBRARIAN'S REPORT:** Xia checked about some electronic signs and she said they were fairly inexpensive (\$1,000-\$2,000). She brought a couple of printouts of some signs to show us what is available. There was discussion about various signs and zoning requirements from the city or county regarding displaying signs, which we will have to check on. We have enough money now to buy a sign.

Xia said that the books for the Day of the Child which she ordered with the \$200 we gave her didn't arrive in time; so she is going to hold those books to give next year at the Day of the Child event.

Peter gave everyone a copy of a letter he received from Susan Lilly from the Stanislaus County Library regarding a children's book giveaway on Kids' Day, July 20<sup>th</sup>. She is hoping for a donation from the Friends Groups. Also she said that the county is able to buy books at approximately \$1.00 per book from First Book by buying pallets of about 1,500 books each.

**LIBRARIAN'S REPORT** (continued): We could buy part of a pallet but they are to be used specifically as giveaways. Sue made a motion to donate a range of \$500-\$750 to buy a pallet of books. Motion was seconded by Trudy and passed. Peter said he will call Susan Lilly and tell her we will buy part of a pallet.

Xia said the Day of the Child (DIA) event was a huge success with about 500 people attending. Python Ron brought his snakes and there were dancers also. On April 29 they will have Activated Story Theater with story tellers dressed in costume, telling multi-cultural stories and incorporating sign language also.

**BOOK SALE REPORT:** Trudy had the sign-up sheets to work at the book sale. She said that most of the spots were filled. She said that the Schutts will come next Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 PM to help set up for the book sale.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Peter said he received a letter from the City of Patterson Recreation Department thanking us for our response to their letter.

**OLD BUSINESS:** No old business.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Sue said our CD matures on May 5, 2017 and we need to decide whether to renew it or take the money out. There was discussion about it and since the interest rate is so low, Diane made a motion that we take the money out and put in our regular account. The motion was seconded by Trudy and passed. We may use the money to buy an electronic sign. There was discussion about the sign and Xia said she will check to see who owns the library building.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:50 PM. Next meeting will be May 8<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Mullins, Secretary