

FRIENDS OF THE PATTERSON LIBRARY MINUTES September 11, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President, Susan Guest, in the library conference room at 1:00 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Trudy deGroot, Gay Girard, Susan Guest, Barbara Hartsell, Sue Henderson, Donald Hess, Marci Homer, Judy Mullins, Amparo Navarro, Yvonne Reynolds, Kelly Staab and Susan Sawyer

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance

INTRODUCTIONS: There were two new introductions—Yvonne Reynolds and Kelly Staab

MINUTES: The minutes of the June 12, 2023 meeting were read and approved. There were no meetings in July and August.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer, Sue Henderson, reported that the balance as of June 12, 2023 was \$8,109.75. With expenses and deposits, the current balance as of September 11, 2023, is \$7,696.70 plus \$80 in the cash box. Sue said she needs to order new membership envelopes for next year. There was discussion as to making any changes to the envelopes, such as raising the amount for memberships. Amparro asked about electronic memberships but it was noted that we don't have a way to receive membership payments electronically.

Amparro made a motion to keep the same amount for memberships on the envelopes. Barbara Hartsell seconded and motion passed.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT: Susan Sawyer said the blinds in the conference room are being replaced with new shades.

She said the library is continuing weekly activities for children on Wednesday afternoons. She said that they did an art project which had great attendance including some teens and adults and that in the future they hope to have more adult activities, maybe on Saturdays or Wednesday evenings.

Sue said they are thinking about doing one activity a month called, Get Crafty, in which they will open up the community room for a couple of hours on Saturday for anyone who would like to bring their own crafts to work on. The first activity will be Saturday, September 16.

At the end of the month there will be a special "Tree Pep Rally" which is a 45 minute program for elementary students that talks about trees and why they are important. This program is sponsored by a group called the Tree Fund and the Tour de Trees, which is doing a bicycle ride from Tahoe to the coast and passing through Patterson on September 30 from 10:30 -11:15 am.

On the second Thursday of each month, we will have Master Gardeners at 2:00 pm.

There has been a lot of positive feedback about the extended library hours.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: None..

BOOK SALE REPORT: Gay brought sign-up sheet for working at the book sale. The book sale will be October 24, 25 and 26 with set up on the 23rd and take down on the 28th. There was discussion about what to do with the unsold books since we are not having Discover Books come and take them this time. Things mentioned were taking them to a used book store or donating to Host House or Namomi's House. We will keep some of the better unsold books for our spring book sale.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 pm.

Our next meeting will be October 9, 2023 at 1:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Mullins, Secretary