

Friends of the Amador County Library
Minutes – August 15, 2017

Call to order at 9:05AM

ROLL CALL

Present: JoAnn Chevrette, Jan Hewitt, Mary O’Neal, Jim Powell, Elizabeth Rhein, Rick Sprenkel, Bonnie Toy

Absent: Patt McHugh, Michele Powell

Ex Officio: Laura Einstadter

Quorum: Quorum declared

APPROVAL OF JULY MINUTES

M/S/P: Rhein/Toy/unanimous to accept minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

TREASURER’S REPORT –J Powell

Report presented.

M/S/P: Hewitt/Toy/unanimous to accept as amended.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR’S REPORT – Einstadter

- Plymouth Library: Closes 8/18. New space is being negotiated. Book moving begins 8/21. Tentative reopening in October. There will be a Grand Re-Opening.
- A to Z World Food Database was purchased. Link is under Research Tools on library website.
- Summer Reading Program: Numbers are down; 116 logs were handed out, 50 returned. Possible reasons include school summer vacation is shortened, competition with other events. Online component not viable for us. Einstadter will attend a conference in October on summer reading programs for rural areas.

OLD BUSINESS

2018 Concert Alternative Ideas – Sprenkel

Discussion: Toy visited several wineries, Fairgrounds, and Italian Picnic Grounds as possible venues; issues include number of potential attendees, rental costs, other costs. Has “Boots & Books” concept run its course? Brainstorm of possible events.

Action: Each board member to circulate before the next board meeting (September 19) a short written proposal of what to do for fundraiser(s) that would net \$5,000 or more over the next 12 months.

FACL Web Maintenance – Sprenkel

Action: Sprenkel to send correct links for digitization to Amador County Historical Society and KVGC for their websites.

Membership Fees – J Powell

Discussion of business membership and sponsorship.

M/S/P: Rhein/Hewitt/unanimous as follows: Dues for Individual, Family, and Sustaining members will be raised by \$5 for those who join or renew on or after 1/1/18. New dues will be \$15, \$20, \$30 respectively.

Book Bags and Special Sale – J Powell

Action: Sprenkel will create a proposal.

NEW BUSINESS

Phase 2 Digitization – Sprenkel

Unsolicited offer received from Jack Mitchell of Ledger-Dispatch to fund further digitization. Discussion of possible use of this funding for annual maintenance. Discussion of FACL funds that could be unencumbered from this project.

Action: Rhein will meet with Jack Mitchell to discuss.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Annual Concert – Sprenkel

(See Old Business)

Membership – Sprenkel for M Powell

No change.

Book Sale – Chevrette

Truck driver has been confirmed. Book drives are 8/19 and 9/16.

Communications – Hewitt, J Powell

Action: Hewitt will cover library’s new food dataabase in her Upcountry News food column.

ADJOURNMENT

10:40 am

NEXT MEETING

9 AM, September 19, 2017, GSA Building

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Rhein
Secretary