

Friends of the Amador County Library
Minutes – January 16, 2018

Call to order at 9:02 AM

ROLL CALL

Present: JoAnn Chevrette, Patt McHugh, Jim Powell, Michele Powell, Elizabeth Rhein, Rick Sprenkel, Bonnie Toy

Absent: Jan Hewitt, Mary O’Neal

Ex Officio: Laura Einstadter

Quorum: Quorum declared

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 2017 MINUTES

Postponed until February meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

TREASURER’S REPORT –J Powell

11/14/17-12/20/17 report, 12/20/17-1/16/18, and 2017 cash flow report presented.

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

LIBRARY DIRECTOR’S REPORT – Einstadter

- Plymouth branch reopened January 9. Grand Opening celebration is Friday, February 9, 4-6pm.
- Library was accepted for “California Stories” a digital video storytelling project where people come to the library to tell their stories. Pioneer branch will be used for this.
 - Action: Email Einstadter with ideas for storytellers.
- The Peninsula Library Consortium is giving the library 15 Chromebook small laptop computers for free. They will be used only in the library. Process is TK.
- Budget for next fiscal year is not known yet.
- Discussion of issues around broadband expansion for branches.
- Request: \$5,000 for materials.

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

OLD BUSINESS

Remainder Books (Gordon) Alternative

Discussion of Kirk and Carrie Lindsay’s efforts.

Action: Invite Kirk and Carrie to March meeting. No one was designated to do this.

ACRA Poster Distribution Service – M Powell

Discussion of using this service for the Book Sale.

Action: M Powell will contact ACRA for details.

2018 Concert Alternative Ideas – Sprenkel

Discussion: Main Street Theater Works fundraising program, chowder competition, Giving Tuesday, pop-up bookstore.

Action: Toy to present MSTW program at February meeting.

Action: Rhein and M Powell to send old information on pop-up bookstore to board.

Phase 2 Digitization – Sprenkel, J Powell

FACL paid a year’s maintenance.

Action: Sprenkel to work out logistics for reimbursement/payment with Ledger Dispatch.

NEW BUSINESS

Giving Tuesday – Toy

FACL received \$1620.00 in donations and [\$\$\$\$\$?] in Amador Community Foundation matching funds. Discussion of expanded 2018 effort focusing on matching funds.

Plymouth Library Reopening

(see Library Director’s Report)

Book Drive – Chevrette

Book Drives scheduled for 2/24 and 3/31. Volunteer signups for 2/24. Possible 3/31 drive cancellation.

New Board Members – Sprenkel

Discussion of recruitment. Discussion of a letter with an invitation to a board meeting.

Action: All board members to bring names to February meeting.

Chamber of Commerce Involvement – Rhein

Discussion of hosting a Chamber breakfast at the Jackson library. Wednesday is preferred day, Friday is second choice. Possibly during National Library Week (4/8-14/18).

Action: Rhein to write a proposal.

New Project – Rhein

Discussion of potential new large fundraising project.

Action: Rhein will discuss with Einstadter.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Annual Concert – Sprenkel (See Old Business)

Membership – M Powell

Report presented. No change. Discussion of renewals and previously voted dues increase.

Acclimation: Dues increase will be postponed.

Book Sale – Chevrette, J Powell

A tire was replaced on the handtruck. Stuart London repaired a toilet leak at no charge.

Action: J Powell will send a thank-you letter to Stuart London.

Communications – J Powell

Next newsletter will be published after February 21.

Action: J Powell to discuss Constant Contact email program with Rebecca Wilson of AAUW Amador.

Elections – All

Nominating committee was formed per bylaws. We were a committee of the whole board and nominated all current officers to stand for election. All present agreed to run again.

Action: J Powell to send email requesting nominations to board for review, then to membership.

ADJOURNMENT

10:40 AM

NEXT MEETING

9 AM, February 20, 2018, GSA Building

Respectfully submitted, Elizabeth Rhein, Secretary