

**FRIENDS OF THE AMADOR COUNTY LIBRARY
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
February 18, 2014**

ATTENDANCE: Terri Works, Janie Brown, Bonnie Toy, Janet Caccia, Lynne Norris, Gail Smyth, and Laura Eisentadter.

Terri, acting on behalf of Sandy Sullivan called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. There was one guest, Daniel D'Agostini, and one former board member, Susan Staggs, in attendance. Terri declared a quorum. Janet moved and Janie seconded a motion to approve the minutes for the January 21, 2014 meeting. The Board voted to approve the minutes.

Gail introduced Daniel D'Agostini who had expressed an interest in learning more about what FACL's role is in the community.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Bonnie submitted her report for 01/11/14 to 02/11/14 that included a budget for 2014. She commented on the sizeable income FACL made on the most recent Boots N' Books fundraiser and that the larger venue helped to produce the higher income. She said it's still a hassle tracking the restricted gifts. Oversight of memberships paid via PayPal will be transferred to the New Membership Chair.

Susan Staggs suggested that Mel Glunt might be interested in taking over the position of Treasurer.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Laura reported the ZipII program had been extended through next year and we would be allowed to continue to use the unspent LSTA funds allocated for the Amador County Library.

One of the projects Laura suggested we address when considering our next fiscal year is the preservation of the history of Amador County. She has a vendor that could scan historical documents to make them available on line. The Library has 261 rolls of microfilm. The cost to convert the microfilm to be preserved for posterity would be \$17,000. The annual cost to maintain the system and provide public access to these documents would be \$1,200 per year. The Library could use BMI Imaging, the company that used to do the microfilm for the Library. The Leger currently gives us a CD each month but it's difficult to search. Laura said that on behalf of the Library she would be asking for \$8,500, half the cost to convert the microfilm, from FACL. The board indicated this would be a good topic of discussion for our 2014 Retreat.

NEW BUSINESS:

Daniel D'Agostini addressed the board telling of his interest in the Library and education. He brought copies of the many books he has had published both as a photographer, writer, and co-author.

Janie discussed the slate of officers for 2014/2015. She announced that Sandy had agreed to stay on as President. Janie will serve as Vice President. Terri will take over Publicity. Gail will remain Secretary. Bonnie will continue to phase out as Treasurer in anticipation that Mel Blunt might serve as Treasurer. Bonnie said if she could get help with the quarterly report it would give her some relief as Treasurer. Lynne agreed to take on the responsibility for the newsletter now that Kati Corsaut has moved. Discussion ensued about the need for a photographer for the newsletter articles.

Laura suggested changing the time of the board meetings to possibly accommodate new members who were younger, had good technology skills, and might be interested in serving on the board if the meetings were held at 5:30 or 6:00 pm. This issue was tabled for discussion when more board members were present, possibly at the 2014 Retreat.

Helen announced that FACL would be hosting the Thursday, March 13 meeting of the Amador Council of Tourism at the Library at 5:30 pm. She asked for volunteers to help with the setup.

The 2014 Retreat theme will be "Shaking the Box." The board discussed whether using a moderator was effective and the consensus was that it was most effective and that it kept the discussion on track

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

MEMBERSHIP –The Membership Chair position is open.

BOOK SALE – The next book drive will be on February 22. Janet passed around a volunteer list for the board members should they wish to volunteer for the book sale scheduled for the first weekend in April. Janet will be calling other members to serve as volunteers at the sale. The tables will be set up on Friday. Janet suggested we might want to provide lunch on Friday to the volunteers.

WEBSITE – Bonnie stated she gave the FACL Minutes to Louise to post. Terri agreed to monitor the website.

NEWSLETTER – Kati will do our spring newsletter and then the baton will pass to Lynne. Bonnie said she could do the technical production.

FARMER'S MARKET – There was no discussion regarding the Farmer's Market.

PUBLICITY – Helen said that FACL would continue to be included in The Arrow with 93,000 copies printed. FACL will be in the April issue. The Arrow needs an eight-week lead-time.

FUNDRAISING –The issue of what types of future fundraising the Board will consider will be considered at the 2014 Retreat.

BOOTS & BOOKS – Janie commented on what a tremendous committee FACL had for the presentation. Members commented on the exceptional venue, the sound system, the contribution of time and food made by AAUW, and the cooperation of the church members who were especially helpful. Janie said that Susan Staggs offered to find another entertainer for next year if FACL decides to do another Boots N' Books fundraiser in 2015. Dave Stamey will only perform every other year.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no discussion of old business.

Terri adjourned the meeting at 10:27 A.M.

NEXT MEETING: The next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, March 18, 2014 at 9:00 A.M at the GSA Building.