

Chico Friends of the Butte County Library, aka. Chico Friends of the Library , CFOL

Minutes of Board Meeting July 20, 2021

Present: Margaret Bomberg, Brenda Crofts, Byron Fountain, Diane Friedman, Katherine Gould, Keith Herritt, Nancy Leek, Annie Reimer, Satsie Veith

Absent: Elizabeth Bergthold, Merle Burbridge

Staff: Janae Kambestad (Branch Manager), Misty Wright (Assistant Library Director)

Katherine Gould called the meeting called to order at 6:32 pm.

Minutes: The minutes of the June 15, 2021, meeting were approved. (Leek, Crofts, approved.)

Reports

Treasurer: The board reviewed reports for the current month as presented by Treasurer Diane Friedman.

Book Sale: Nancy Leek reported that the Saturday morning book sale began again as of July 10. The first sale was very well-attended and brought in \$1553, and the second one \$816, which is about average. Helen Sutton has been unable to supervise the sale due to a family illness, but she hopes to be back in a few weeks. Nancy said she is looking for someone to staff the lobby table during the sale to enforce mask-wearing rules and accept donations.

Librarian's Report: Janae Kambestad is now managing the Chico, Paradise, and Durham branches. Misty Wright is now the Assistant Library Director. Janae assured the Board that while she must be absent from Chico part of the week, staff members are capable of filling in for her. Misty and Janae told the Board that the position of full-time manager of the Chico Branch still exists in the County Library budget, and, while there is no plan to fill it currently, there is the possibility it will be filled in the future.

Little Free Libraries: Elizabeth Bergthold was absent, but she reported by email that vandalism is down and she still needs children's books.

Ongoing Business

Enterprise Record Ad: Byron reported that even though the Giving Tuesday promotion has ended, the E-R is willing to run a ½ page ad for CFOL free of charge. Byron will work with Nancy and Andrea to design an ad that will promote the book sale, CFOL membership, and library programs.

Dedication of Bench for Linda Lee Bassett: With approval from the family, the Board agreed that the dedication will take place at 5:00 pm on August 17, 2021. Beverages and cookies will be served. The regular board meeting will be held immediately afterward.

New Business

Discussion of income/expenditures for coming FY: After discussion, Keith moved that the current commitment to allocate \$8000 per month for library materials, \$300 per month for library supplies, and \$3000 per year for magazines, be continued for this FY. (Herritt, Bomberg, approved.)

Newsletter Format – Color v. B&W: After discussion of the relative cost of color vs. black and white printing, the Board agreed to continue printing in color for the time being. Nancy will send Brenda information on the book sale for a new monthly email announcement.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

The next meeting is August 17, 2021.