

Chico Friends of the Library Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, October 18, 2011

Members in attendance

Margaret Bomberg
Debbie Cobb
Gerald Davis
Susan Davis
Carolyn Dorn
Ann Elliott
Diane Friedman
Fe Howard
Don Kidd

Linda Leahy
~~Rupert McDowell~~
Marian Milling
Joan Olmstead
Susan Rauen
~~Mary Wahl~~

Guests

Linda Mielke, Butte County Library
Director
Randy Korte, Demco Library Interiors
Al Luedecke
Sarkis Shmavonian
Cindy Weiner
Sandy Boyd

Meeting called to order

Marian Milling called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Approval of September Minutes

Minutes for September 20, 2011, meeting were approved (m,s,c: Kidd/Elliott).

Additions to/Deletions from the Agenda

Delete Business 3. CFOL Vice-President – Rupert to remain as VP

Intro/Discussion

Randy Korte of Demco Library Interiors showed and explained diagrams of the new circulation desk. Features include: 45 inches high, slat wall at entrance door for signs and announcements, book drop/check in with transfer to book carts, wood-grain sides, counter top bluish, brownish side accent.

Motion to increase expenditure amount for desk to “up to \$30,000” to cover contingencies (m,s,c: Kidd/Bomberg)

Butte County is covering the cost of the rolling carts for reserve materials.

Reports

Book sale: Saturday sale went on as usual, although everyone felt the loss of Rob Atkinson.

Treasurer: Enough funds to cover circ desk and end of year book purchases. Higher income in memberships, lower in donations and memorials. Move \$60,000 from unallocated to building Fund (m,s,c:) Report approved (m/s/c Cobb/Dorn).

Library Advisory Board: Don reported LAB meeting and a 6-hour training session which hopefully made the group more cohesive. Outcome in a few months will be new bylaws. Sustainable Funding is still the goal, but few ideas about how to achieve it. Diane Friedman resigned from the LAB, so there is another opening for the Chico area. Discussion continued regarding the Love Your Library efforts toward new library revenue, downturn in the economy, and loss of enthusiasm.

Librarian: Service for Rob Atkinson will be at the Card Center, time announced next week. Daughter of library courier service driver died in car accident recently. Linda Mielke, Butte

County Library Director has resigned effective Nov. 1. She is taking a job in New York. She has been a great asset for our library system.

Note the League of Women Voters traveling display. Teen Read Week – Oct. 21 & 22. Once again doing Christmastime Buy the Book, buying more books ahead of time. Request for 2 new wii games. There is now senior wii time as well as teen wii time. (m,s,c:Bomberg/Cobb)

Recap of Fall Festival 2011

Went very well with everyone's effort. Thank you's: Marian- Scouts and Clown Ann – Key Club & Preschool, Debbie – authors, Fe – NCL, Susan – Papa Murphy's, Band - ??

Ongoing and New Business

1. Book Sale Changes

Committee from last year to meet Nov. 4: Don, Susan D., Ann, Margaret, Diane, Marian
Issues: deal with book donations arriving daily, circ desk remodeling (hiatus?). Sarkis willing to advisor Rob's replacement(s). Need to document procedures and personnel: weekly schedule, volunteers and jobs. Joan Olmstead will be CFOL contact person for all things booksale through October. Marian meeting with Rosa.

2. Library Director

Write letter to the Butte County Board of Supervisors urging them to not hire an interim library director. Reasons: not productive, county could save money (m,s,c: Cobb/Howard)

4. Newsletter

Ready for printer by Nov. 1, include memorial of Rob Atkinson

5. Upcoming Events

Rob Atkinson Memorial – Nov. 6?

Trivia Bee, Nov. 18 – Team: Marian, Joan, Tom?

Craft Fair, Nov. 19 – Publicity: ER, bulletin board in library

Quilt raffle Nov. 21, measure size, sell tickets

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Next meeting: November 15, 2011, third Tuesday of the Month, 7:00 PM