

*Chico Friends of the Library
Board Meeting June 16, 2015
Minutes*

The June meeting was called to order by President Diane Friedman at 7:00 p.m. Treasurer's reports for both April and May were presented by Susan Davis, treasurer.

The Minutes of the May meeting were approved as corrected. (m/s/c: Davis/Conlin)

Ann Elliott reported that annual book sales (July 1, '14-June 30, '15) had reached and passed the \$60,000 mark for the first time. Consideration is being given to an addition to the library building for book sale space. It would be based on both cost and space availability.

Librarian Brenda Crotts listed the many ways the library was used in the past month, including a veterans' celebration that was a great success. Mary Wahl questioned the possibility of sending the library usage statistics to the Butte County Board of Supervisors. Diane accepted the assignment.

Chico's share of the county movie licensing cost is ~~\$621 to \$670~~ increasing (from \$621 to \$670). CFOL will cover its share: m/s/c: Wahl/McDowell.

Kristine Macalalad announced the cost of the school bus transporting children to the library has increased to \$125, based on the driver's time - \$35 per hour. CFOL will cover the cost. (m/s/c: Milling/Conlin)

KM also introduced the need for four new computers for young children at the cost of ~~\$73~~ \$730 each. There was some discussion concerning use and lack of parental supervision. Two of the new computers must be equipped with child proofing. It was m/s/c (Elliott/McDowell) that CFOL will provide funding not to exceed \$4,000.

Wahl reported the JFOL will meet on June 22.

Regarding the Library Advisory Board, Elliott described meeting she had attended. Conlin reported on volunteer hours. According to Jen Rold the July Carrell will include an article about the Annie B. drive for contributions to various organizations, including the Chico Library.

The new book group which meets at the library has made a successful beginning.

Davis reported the Finance committee will meet the end of July.

New business included President Friedman's plan to make the grant application July 1.

New board member Nancy Leek described a FIXIT CLINIC as a possible CFOL project. It would require volunteers willing to donate time attempting to fix various objects, persons who are able to analyze problems and come up with possible solutions.

It was suggested that the supply of jigsaw puzzles be donated to children as reading prizes.

Wahl related that Butte County Supervisors Larry Wahl and Maureen Kirks plan to move that the Board increase the county library budget to include an additional \$100,000 for the Chico library. (This would maintain the present number of hours the library is open.) The City of Chico has eliminated it from its budget. The board meets on June 23. CFOL members will meet at the library to carpool to

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the meeting in support of this motion. It also asks for seven-hour increases for both Oroville and Paradise libraries. We were urged to send letters to county board members, requesting their support.

It was m/s/c (Milling/Wahl) that CFOL donate \$425 for an ad in the Play guide. Elliott offered to provide graphics for the ad.

McDowell mentioned the clock, now hung in the conference room, honoring Gerald Davis. For lack of time a letter from Susan Davis, thanking the board, wasn't read. It will be in the secretary's file in the staff room.

Elliott suggested LED lights would greatly improve lighting in the conference room, especially during book sales. CFOL will provide \$1,000 in funding. (m/s/c: Elliott/Davis)

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Those in attendance at the meeting were: Diane Friedman, Susan Davis, Mary Wahl, Patti Conlin, Nancy Leek, Jen Rold, Rupert McDowell, Marian Milling, Ann Elliott, Ramona Peters. Staff in attendance: Brenda Crotts, Kristine Macalabad.

Ramona Peters, Secretary