

Friends of the Esparto Regional Library
Minutes
March 2, 2010

1. Call to order

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM. Present were Rie Surad-Miller, Jon Durst, Julio Cota, Al Emrick, Margaret Dugan, Sandy Pelletier, Betty Koeppen, Barbara Durst and Malinda. Julio welcomed visitors and the agenda was approved.

2. The Acceptance of Minutes

It was moved, seconded and approved to accept the Annual Meeting minutes and February minutes.

3. Financial Reports

Quarterly Financial report is due at the April meeting

The budget report was email to board members.

Membership is at 78 members. (from later in the meeting) Al asked about the letter that had be drafted to members who had not renewed. Betty said she would print and mail.

Discussion of budget report. Betty said the landscaping line item should be \$1400. Al explained some numbers vary because FERL and Yolo County have different fiscal years. Betty remarked that the line item for calendars is no longer necessary as the calendars are no longer sold. Mitigation funds from the tribe were used to fund an aid and these must be applied for yearly - no application last year so they should not be in buget. More research needed. Al does get a 1099 from the county. In 2009 the mitigation funds were seized by the county to pay for litigation against the tribe. Julio will follow up on the mitigation funding. Malinda will check with Patty Wong. It was moved and passed to move the speaker honorarium funds to children's programs. Questions rained about how many T-shirts remain. Don't know exact number (Al) and mostly children's sizes. Al will make changes to the buget report and send again.

Al sent out bylaws to all board members. Last revision was 2002. Should be done again.

4. Correspondence and announcements

Newletters from West Sacramento and Davis libraries and Yolo Arts

Julio reported on his trip to Irvine for the Yolo County Library Volunteers Program. The goal of the program is to increase volunteerism by customizing it to each library. The pilot program at the West Sacramento Library will focus on baby boomers. Esparto is the next to be targeted. Disussion included the concern that volunteers take hours from employees. Reassurance that the volunteers can supplement but not replace. Work is going forward on what training is needed for volunteers.

5. Library Personnel, news and business

Malinda reported on library statistics. Barbara asked if they could be included on the website. Malinda said it is possible and she will give it a try.

New program, English Conversation, began February with trained volunteers. Meets Tuesday from 1-2 PM. Need to schedule another class. Attendance has gone from two to five. Current volunteers can only come during the day. A nighttime session is needed.

Summer reading program is being planned.

Letter from Patty Wong to each branch requesting a brief history of the branch to tie into the 100 Years Celebration. Due April 15. Also need early photos for a traveling display and

volunteers for a booth at the Yolo County Fair.

Rie reported on the 100 Years Celebration. The Ice Cream Social has been changed to lemonade and cookies. They are seeking donations from stores. The August 1 celebration in front of the Yolo County Courthouse will have free books, live music and a book mending demonstration. November 7 during the Harvest Day Dinner the Esparto Library will be open with an Art Show (through Yolo Arts). This will be the Esparto Library's day to celebrate 100 years. The bus tour of libraries is planned in May 2011, the end of the yearlong celebration. The logo includes the motto, "Building Knowledge, Building Communities." This will go on bags and maybe T-shirts - no mugs. Malinda will work with the board to design our table for the August celebration. Digital stories may be a possibility in the atrium.

6. Old Business

- A.** Made \$184 on the King Tut bus trip.
- B.** Jon passed around photos of the library media "shelf" project that is almost complete.

7. New Business

- A.** Almond Festival book sale is March 14. Barbara and Betty will co-chair. Betty will put volunteer signup sheets in the library and Barbara will call members to volunteer. Need to move books and tables to library, sort, sell, return books and recycle unsold books.
- B.** The Esparto Farmers Market has been cancelled due to lack of participation.
- C.** Next board meeting is April 6.

Meeting adjourned at 8:23

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Durst, Secretary