

Friends of The Esparto Regional Library

Minutes

March 1, 2011

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:03PM.

Present: Rie Surad-Miller, June Hebb, Betty Koeppen, Malinda Baker, Margaret Dugan, Gabe Galvan, Nadine DeSmet, Elizabeth Gray, Malinda Baker, Julio Cota and Sandy Pelletier

2. The Acceptance of Minutes:

A. Agenda change: Julio requested addition of 5.B. - *Betty Koeppen, Rie Surad-Miller and Elizabeth Gray* to agenda under, -Library Personnel. Approval of agenda: Nadine moved and Gabe seconded and passed for approval.

B. Feb.1/2011 Annual Minutes: Deletion of 2. A. sentence, “ *It was decided to skip the minutes of the Annual Board meeting*” and clarification change to discussion of President’s Fund. *The \$60 expenditure occurred in 2010.* Gabe moved, Betty seconded and the board approved the minutes.

C. Jan. 25, 2011 minutes: Rie Surad-Miller and Elizabeth Gray should be added to the attendees list. Gabe moved, Betty seconded and the minutes were accepted.

3. Financial Reports:

A. Betty reviewed Balance Sheet, Income and Expense reports as of 2/26/2011. Julio asked how well things were going in producing the reports. Betty replied all was well. Sometime after 4/15, non-profit taxes would have to be done. More pencils and bags were ordered to replenish the supplies.

B. LPL meeting with Larry Stark considered valuable and enlightening by all who attended. (Betty, June, Nadine, Sandy, and Julio) We were given the whole picture of the importance of the endowment and how and why to preserve it. We are completing the changes of signers (3 each) to both the LPL account and the River City Bank account.

4. Correspondence and Announcements:

A letter of acknowledgement of the meeting with Larry Stark from LPL, A flyer from the Davis Library and flyer from the Yolo County Historical Society. Julio mentioned an email from Patty Wong, regarding the moving of the library’s storage container to its final location. The MOU (memorandum of understanding) shall be amended and the subject to Board approval. Suggests an MOU with FERL, regarding the container, its contents and its relationship to FERL.

5. Library Personnel News and Business:

A. Malinda stated the Feb. was a very busy month:

Honor Books	24
Questions answered -	194
Gate count -	1536
Computer signups	916
Volunteer/service hours -	25
Meeting room use -	21
Pre-school	4 programs ~ 85 attendance
School-age	1 program ~ 32 attendance
Young Adult	2 programs ~ 46 attendance
Adult	8 programs ~ 39 attendance (Eng. Conversation included in count)

B. She would like to discuss budget for next year. Bought more bags to continue to give a bag to each child when getting library card. Bought supply of pencils to replenish pencil dispenser.

C. Special programs:

1. Valentine making party – very successful
2. Presentation: Vicki Klein from Davis on online genealogical research
3. Presentation: Sumner Stone, “Where Did the Alphabet Come From?” and Calligraphy demonstration. All ages attended. Cookies served.

Summer Reading Program ~ “Many Stories – Many Worlds” Contest

Summer Adult Program ~ “Novel Destinations” – raffle of \$25. Bookstore gift certificate.

Malinda received an email from “A Woman Magician”. Possible hire for summer program.

Malinda attended El Dorado library program, “World & World Cultures”, won prize (book). Toured Children’s Theater room and saw puppet show.

D. Advisory Board: Rie attended a meeting of the Advisory Board to plan an All Friends Event that will discuss how to increase membership and what works and what doesn’t. Refreshments provided by Advisory Board. Jubilee is being planned for April.

E. Elizabeth Gray gave regards from Patty Wong. She, Patty, plans to attend the Almond Festival. Elizabeth described contracting with a movie licensing agency. The contract provides for all Yolo libraries to have access to current movies to show. The costs would be spread among branches according to card memberships of each library. Our membership number is around 300 (count is of active members within the last year) so, our costs would be minimal.(3% of \$4000., actual cost to county system). Elizabeth to present details later.

6. Old Business:

A. Almond Festival: Rie will bring Esparto & combined membership panels. She will also handle membership applications at library. Volunteer hours sign-up sheet passed around. Help is needed for unloading books from container, Friday, Sat. to sort books for sale and Sun., to sell and return leftovers to container.

B. “Give a Click” contest – we are currently in 4th place out of 4 applicants. Still hopeful. We have until 3/15. Web site to vote: www.yolofcu.org

C. FERL container move: Mike Evans has donated a trailer. We need a large fork lift, over 10,000 lbs. to haul container.

D. FERL website: Added to Yolo County Website.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:17PM

**Respectfully submitted,
Sandy Pelletier, Secretary**