

FRIENDS OF THE ESPARTO REGIONAL LIBRARY

MINUTES

Tuesday, January 3, 2012

1. Call to Order: 7:00PM Attendees: Gabe Galvan, Betty Koeppen, Nadine DeSmet, Nancy Remington, Margaret Dugan, Sandy Pelletier, Malinda Baker and Elizabeth Gray, Guest.

2. The Acceptance of Minutes:

September 6, 2011 Minutes – Betty moved that the minutes be accepted, Nadine seconded, motion passed.

October 4, 2011 Minutes – will be voted on next meeting as not everyone had copies to review.

December 6, 2011 Minutes – Nadine moved that the minutes be accepted, Sandy seconded, motion passed.

3. Financial Reports: Betty asked for any corrections or additions to the financial reports. She said that on the Expenses Report there were two corrections. **Childrens Programming** - year to date total should be \$932.59. **Esparto Librarians Fund** – year to date total should be \$290.88.

LPL Financial's report by Larry Stark will be presented at the next meeting.

4. Correspondence and Announcements: A Christmas card from **Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation** and **Davis Library Newsletter** were received.

5. Library Personnel, News and Business:

A. Malinda's Dec. Report: December is typically a short month due to holidays. She wanted to acknowledge that **51.5 hours of work that went into the gardens this month**, thanks to the gardeners and their helpers. Also, the **FERL container is finally in place**, thanks especially to Gabe who organized the logistics of the move. She asked about having a **membership contribution coupon of sorts available on the web site**, so that people can download the form, online. The library will be **closed, Monday, Jan. 16th** for MLK day and on **January 30th** for Staff Development Day in Davis.. The **Cathy Barsotti Organization** has offered to contribute to our, Partner in Hours program. Said an article mentioning this should be placed in the newsletter.

Statistics:

Book Contest	No contest this month
Reference questions	159 entries
Door Count:	2431 people
Total Computer users	1002 users
Senior Computer users	Did not meet this month
Meeting Room usage	9 times
New library cards issued	21 cards
Pre-school story times	46 attendees, 3 programs
School-age after school movie time	23 attendees

Upcoming Events:

1. Children's after school movie, Jan. 17th at 3:15PM
2. Teen movie night, Jan. 26th at 6:00PM

B. Elizabeth Gray's Report: There will be a book discussion with author, Misha Angrist, who discusses his experiences with having his DNA decoded, his genome sequenced and posted online. His book is titled, "**Here is a Human Being – At the Dawn of Personal Genomics**". March 7, 2012 Blanchard Room, Davis Library. Sponsored by UC Davis, Dept. Evolution & Ecology.

Patty Wong is busy shoring up the library branches due to their concerns with budget cuts.

The Strategic Planning process is moving forward, assisted by noted library futurists and strategic experts, Joan Frye Williams and George Needham. **Two meetings planned**, one where staff and friends will offer comments and ideas, and a second meeting with the community. An outline of the feedback provided will be presented to the Policy Team, a draft of the plan should result that will then be presented to the community.

C. No report from the Yolo County Library Advisory Board

6. Old Business:

A. As mentioned earlier, the **FERL container** is in place next to the library.

B. Children's Shopping Days was an all-round success. It was very well attended.

C. Membership Committee: Gabe said he will start working on it this week.

D. January Newsletter: Betty is calling for help on submitting various articles for the newsletter to Lynn Morgan within 48 hours. She hopes to get the newsletters in the mail by the 10th of the month, to current members and last year's members as well.

E. Annual Meeting: January 24th, begins with Hors D'oeuvres served at **6:30**, then the meeting begins at **7PM**. The meeting will consist of nominations from the floor for new members of the Board, a short business meeting and then, a series of thank you's for the past years events. Paper products and paper tablecloths will be provided by the library. Gabe will provide punch, water and coffee. Potluck volunteers are needed.

7. New Business:

A. Almond Festival – There is still confusion about the possibility of two different dates for the festival. Gabe said that he will be attending the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce soon and will report the true story to us.

B. Margaret Dugan was presented with a scroll, thanking for her work on the Board this past year.

8. Next Board Meeting: February 7th, 2012

Meeting adjourned: 7:45PM

Respectfully submitted by:

Sandy Pelletier, Secretary

