

Friends of the Calaveras County Library
Board Meeting Minutes – September 8, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 9:07 a.m.

Members present: Pru Starr (President/WF FOTL), Shirley Huberty (FOTCCL Treasurer), Charnette Boylan (SA FOTL), MaryAnn Evans (VS FOTL), Susan Sanchez (MVL), Richard Rasso (Arnold FOTL), Brenda McHenry (Copperopolis FOTL).

Ex-Officio Members & Guests: Nancy Giddens (County Librarian), Phil Guttierrez (Literacy Director), Gary Evans (Guest – VS FOTL)

Absent: Bob Dean (At-large member), Ray Waller (MH FOTL), Diane Jarvi (AC FOTL)

Minutes and Agenda:

August minutes approved. (M/S/A)

Today's agenda was approved as sent. (M/S/A)

Reports:

Literacy: Phil Guttierrez presented the report from Literacy. It is attached.

20 students in the ADF are receiving weekly packets. 3 students are enrolled in Essential Education online program for a total of 23 learners. Most in person programming is on hold due to COVID19 restrictions. Several in-person sessions have been held at the SA Library this month.

Librarian: Nancy Giddens presented the report for the Calaveras County Library. Report attached.

Staff:

First 5 preschool program: The First 5 position will be filled soon. We are hoping she will clear background this week so she can begin next week.

Arnold: We will hold interviews for this position this week.

Summer reading:

We enrolled 598 children in the program this summer and had 476 active participants. This is our best summer yet. We gave away over 3300 books to children ages 0-14!

Lunch at the Library: We gave out 4,066 lunches to children in San Andreas, Moke Hill, West Point and Railroad Flat.

Bookmobile:

An artist is working on the drawings for the visuals for the wrap.

The Sprinter has been built and is in NY for the installation of the doors.

Programs for yoga, gardening and social-emotional development are underway, with in-person and kits in preparation.

Books for the Bookmobile:

We are getting a subscription of 20 categories for the bookmobile. This will give us new books each month and keep the collection fresh.

Additional books will be ordered from Scholastic.

The adult collection will be developed with orders from Ingram and Midwest Tape.

Budget 21/22:

We have good money this year for collection development:

\$60,049 from the county – includes \$19,000 from FOTCCL – thank you!

\$39,228 from the Shared Vision grant

\$4600 for First 5 materials

Treasurer:

The treasurer's report was presented by Shirley Huberty. It was approved as presented. (M/S/A)

The report is attached.

Old Business:

Annual meeting: The group decided on the following for the annual meeting:

Coffee and donuts will be served in the Chesebrough Room for the meeting. The meeting will precede the monthly meeting, as usual, and will include a word from Conrad Levasseur, Poet Laureate, Tricia Slavik, Fundraising campaign, Pru Staff, President of FOTCCL, Shirley Huberty, Treasurer, the election of officers for 2022, and reports from Nancy Giddens, Librarian and Phil Guttierrez, Literacy Director.

Patio update: Shirley has not heard from any of the architects regarding the patio project.

Insurance for volunteers: Shirley will check with the insurance company to see if FOTL members of the various branches can be added to the insurance of FOTCCL which currently covers only the members of the FOTCCL Board.

No new business.

Branch Reports:

Angels Camp: no report

Arnold: The mural has been completed and installed. Stop by and see it!

Copperopolis: no report

Murphys: Susan gave a brief summary of the plans for renovation of the elevator and children's areas of the Murphys branch. Nothing has been finalized but a lot of planning and organizing is taking place.

San Andreas: The Friends hosted a fun party for the children who participated in Summer Reading at the SA site this summer. Lots of fun water events cooled us off.

Valley Springs: Plans are being made for another Melodrama to be held in 2022.

West Point: No report.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Next meeting: The annual meeting, followed by regular monthly meeting – October 13, 2021, 9 a.m.