

**FRIENDS OF THE AMADOR COUNTY LIBRARY
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
January 20, 2015**

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Janie Brown, Jim Powell, Michele Powell, Elizabeth Rhein, Bonnie Toy

ABSENT: Gail Smyth, Rick Sprenkel, Sandy Sullivan

EX OFFICIO: Laura Einstadter

GUEST: Jo Ann Chevrette

Janie as Vice-President called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M. and declared a quorum.
M/S/P: Michele/Jim/unanimous to accept the November 18, 2014 minutes as amended
(see attachment #1).

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bonnie presented the 11/14/14 through 01/10/15 report (see attachment #2).

Restricted gifts, specifically the Honeychurch gift, were discussed.

Bonnie will contact Ruth Sanders for the audit required at the end of each year.

Clarification that we operate on a calendar year basis.

There were no questions regarding the report.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Laura presented the Friends Wish List for January 2015 (see attachment #3). Discussion of each item is included on attachment #3.

M/S/P: Bonnie/Michele/unanimous to fund the following items:

1. \$5,000.00 – to cover the cost of ongoing library material purchases for the remainder of this FY (until June 30, 2015).
2. Annual EBSCO magazine subscription for children's magazines: \$325.00
3. Annual renewal for Junior Library Guild: \$372.00; provides books in Upper Elementary and Jr. High as well as teen levels for the Ply and Ione branches.
4. Mango Languages - \$943.50
5. Novelist+ -\$ 2,282.00
6. Overdrive - \$3,000 + \$1,000 for Advantage account (paid once)

M/S/P: Jim/Michele/unanimous to fund the following item:

New computer for micro scan (microfilm) reader printer - \$600.00

Discussion of long-term item #2: Digitize local newspaper microfilm collection: \$15,000
Discussion of approaching the Ledger-Dispatch for them to share the cost. Elizabeth and Michele volunteered to meet with Jack Mitchell of the Ledger-Dispatch regarding their potential participation in funding this project.

Laura asked to have her name removed from board communications emails.

NEW BUSINESS

INTERNET SALES – Elizabeth requested to see the contract, if any, with Magnus. Janie is searching for it and will contact Magnus for a copy.

BOARD MEMBER RECRUITMENT – The nominating committee presented a proposed letter to email to Book Sale volunteers (see attachment #4).

Discussion: Bonnie commented on the time commitment.

Resolution: Circulate to board for comments. Send out the final version. Include the final version in the next newsletter.

JoAnn Chevrette is interested in joining the board and will send her bio to Sandy Sullivan.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

NOMINATING – The slate was presented by the committee (Gail, Michele, Elizabeth (see attachment #5).

M/S/P: Janie/Michele/unanimous to accept the slate.

MEMBERSHIP – (See attachment #6). Dues are due in January. Rick as Membership Chair will send out an email to renewers.

BOOK SALE – Janie asked for additional Book Drive volunteers. Janie asked for lunch pickup volunteer for Friday; Jim volunteered. Bookmarks for Book Drive will be ready 1/23/15 and will be available to the public in the library.

WEBSITE – Jim sent a long email to Louise. He suggested we list committed chairs but not committee members

NEWSLETTER – Jim as editor listed the stories for the next issue: pods, Book Drives, October 2014 Book Sale, River Pines Little Library, book review, Summer Reading Program, Amazon Smile (digital version only), Grommit and PAWS Therapy, slate of officers, dues. Stories are due January 31, 2015. Plan to publish before February 21, 2015.

PUBLICITY – There was no discussion about publicity except for the annual concert.

ANNUAL CONCERT – Michele provided the report. No action on replacing Susan Staggs as chair. Tickets are available at Hein & Company Book Store in Jackson. Open issues: (1) If Susan moves to Sonoma before the concert we will deal with last-minute contacts with the band. (2) Bonnie will put up posters in Plymouth and Jackson on 2/1 and 2/2 (replacing Terri Works). The list of locations will come from Susan.

OLD BUSINESS

FIRST 5 – FACL accepts donations for First 5 using our 501c3 status. Janie will ask Barbara Bakeley whether brochures are in the maternity ward, per Michele's query.

BOOK DONATIONS: Resolution, not voted: Book donors would not receive thank you messages.

GOOD AND WELFARE

Thank you to Rick for hosting the holiday party.

Janie adjourned the meeting at 10:40 A.M.

NEXT MEETING: The next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, February 17, 2015 at the GSA Building.