

**FRIENDS OF THE AMADOR COUNTY LIBRARY  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF  
July 15, 2014**

**ATTENDANCE:** Sandy Sullivan, Janie Brown, Bonnie Toy, Jim Powell, Michele Powell, Lynn Norris, Gail Smyth, and Laura Eisentadter.

Sandy called the meeting to order at 9:03 A.M. Nina Machado of First Five was a guest. Sandy declared a quorum. Janie moved and Bonnie seconded a motion to approve the minutes for the June 17, 2014 meeting. The Board voted to approve the minutes. FACK has had several calls about book donations and with one donor willing to donate about 50 boxes of books. Nina Machado discussed a program available through First Five to encourage literacy. With no income eligibility a child who signs up for the program receives an age appropriate book until the child turns six. Currently 700 children, or 52% of age-eligible children, in Amador County receive these books monthly. Nina Machado asked FACL to partner as the non-profit that sponsors the program. There is no cost to FACL and it is expected that there will be ten or less transactions per year that would require FACL sponsorship. Jim moved and Janie seconded that FACL sponsor the First Five program.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Bonnie submitted her monthly report. Expenses included a DVD reader. She announced a restricted donation of \$500 from the National Association of Mental Health and a \$1,000 donation from the Rancheria. The restricted donations have presented a tracking problem because the donations must be applied only to a specific expense.

**LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Laura announced the retirement of staff and County cutbacks. Her staff was again reduced; the library hours will be shortened; the library will be closed on Saturdays; and that there will be a posting within a week for the upcountry position. The summer reading program is winding down. The animal theme proved to be popular and there was very good attendance.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Sandy asked what members need badges.

The book room we use is up for sale. Sealed bids for the property end on September 30, 2014 and Sandy requested the members to consider other locations and options for storing the books pending the semi-annual book sales.

The proposed bylaw changes were introduced. Gail moved and Lynne seconded to accept the changes. The vote was carried.

Terri continues to be the default for the gmail account and that will be changed to Sandy.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

MEMBERSHIP –Rick will be in charge of membership. We have a potential new member, Elizabeth Rhein.

BOOK SALE – Janie suggested a workday at storage facility to repair boxes and sort the books that have been accumulating.

WEBSITE – There were no new items regarding the website

NEWSLETTER – Jim will take over the Newsletter and the next issue will be sent at the end of August or the beginning of September. Jim asked that any contributions, including book reviews, be submitted to him by August 23. The issue will include profiles of the new directors.

FARMER’S MARKET – Janie announced the sales have been very good at the markets.

PUBLICITY – Terri will do the advertising for the book sale, the posters, and the bookmarks. Barry Duncan is our contact at Mother Lode Printing.

FUNDRAISING –Bonnie mentioned Amazon Smiles as a source. She will sign up FACL as an Administrator. The return to FACL would be .5%. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

BOOTS & BOOKS – Tom Rigney will perform. Sandy signed the contract.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

The protocol for taking the books to the jail will be that only Teri and Janet will make those deliveries.

Sandy adjourned the meeting at 11:12 A.M.

NEXT MEETING: There will be no August meeting and the next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, September 16, 2014 at the GSA Building.