

**Friends of the Scotts Valley Library Meeting**  
**03-08-2023 Minutes**

- **Welcome and call to order: 6:30 PM**
- **In Attendance** - Sylvia Lee, Sheri Morano, Peppe Woll, Laura Landreth, Marc Winqvist, Michele Mize, Roxanne Dwyer, Jutta Perry, Sheryl Andersen, Nancy Diaz, Marwin Mezher, Amy Fabro, June Langhoff
- **Approve September Minutes** – Motion to Approve. Motion Approved.
- **Treasurers Report** – Current Balance is \$32,999. We brought in \$192 for book sales. \$184 for expenses.
- **Board News**- Marc shared that two new board members were elected.
- **OCR Report**– Roxanne shared that the Photographers Eye Event went well. Jutta shared expenses from the Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> events. They came in under budget. \$270 was the budget, but they spent \$156 total. They also received \$55 in donations.
- **Author Talk** – 1) Barbara shared Tricia Timm’s talk for Embrace the Poser of You, is March 16<sup>th</sup> from 5-6. Sylvia will be there to help. June, Michelle and Nancy will also help. People should arrive at 4:00 to help with the set up. June posted the event on Next Door. There were over 600 hits. It was also listed in the SV Times. SCPL Brochure – event was also listed here. 2) Buzz Anderson requested to have an author talk. The name of the book is Five Hundred Moons. It is historical fiction about Ohlone Indians. Agreed to host event. Discussed hosting event in May.
- **Square/Tablet Purchase and Book Sale** – Sheryl shared we purchased a tablet so we can now do square sales. We have three squares from the old tablet, which do not appear to be working, but we will continue to work out the kinks. The Book Sale is March 18<sup>th</sup>. We have 6 HS and Middle School students who have volunteered to work at the sale. We need help for set up on Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 to? We also need to organize boxes in the shed to get the children’s books for the sale – hopefully this Saturday. Volunteer Sheet was circulated. Felton will come at the end of the sale to pick-up left-over books. Advertising is in place. Book sale is from 10-2. Barbara will bring cash for the cash box. \$150 in cash.
- **Art in the Library** – Roxanne shared that the art exhibit will be changing at the end of the quarter. Our next show is Heidi Michelle Woodmansee. The show will be water colors. The following show will be by Marc Shargel - Underwater Photography. Discussed having him give a talk about his exhibit on July 8. The library no longer insures art on the walls. Asked for input on how the Friends feel about supporting insurance. We want to support the artist, but we don’t want to put our organization at risk. Do we know what insurance would cost? Discussed having a cap on what would be covered? Have any artist brought this up as a concern? We need to make sure artist know we do not have insurance coverage for the art work. We will look into the cost. Marc will talk to his insurance person. Michelle will also look into this. Discussed options for coverage amounts -\$10,000, \$20,000 or \$25,000. Also discussed what coverage should include - fire, water, theft and vandalism.
- **Newsletter and Open Mic** – June shared that when we post things on the web site or face book, if you are on those sites, please “like” the post, as this makes a big difference and is helpful. Some of the OCR events were recorded and will be posted. Our Newsletter has 63 people signed up for it! June has been posting monthly as we have had so many events. We will likely be cutting back and looking to post quarterly. If you have any events coming up, please let June know.
  - Open Mic – they meet on the first Wednesday of the month. They have been meeting on zoom since the pandemic. At their last meeting they had a discussion with the group to ask if they wanted to come back to in person. They said they did not.

For now, they will stay on zoom. They average 11-14 people attending each month.

- **Book Donations**- Nancy shared that 80% of donations are rejects. They need help to take the rejected books to good will. Discussed the previous organization that would come take the books. Barbara shared that we have been told there is not place to put the bin, so this is not an option. Discussed solutions. Previous staff use to filter what we take. We have prepared a list of what we would like to have and what we do not want to have. Discussed that this is a lot to put on the library Staff. It may also discourage people from bringing books in to donate. Can members come by and pick up bags of books and take them to good will? Marwan volunteered to pick up the books to take to good will. If members come to take books, just let the librarians know you are with the Friends before you go back. Bags with books for Goodwill will be marked. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday are the days that they sort books.
- **Presidents News** – Barbara shared they discussed reinstating the Tales to Tails program. They also agreed to set up an e-bay account for nonprofits. Shared information about a history talk on Sat. March 25<sup>th</sup> - Off Track in Scotts Valley.
  - The Children's librarian talked to Barbara about the summer reading programs.  
Each library will be funded for two programs. Ours will be – 1) July 7<sup>th</sup> Traveling Lantern Show (acting out Johnny Appleseed women descendent story). 2) Python Ron. They asked if we would fund a third show -The Bubble Guy. The cost would be \$450 dollars. This would be above the money we give to SCPL for funding children's programs. Motion made. Approved.
  - Felton and Boulder Creek branches would like to come to our next meeting. Barbara has been writing down information about what members do. She has also listed open positions.
  - In the future she would like to discuss new programs. Some of these things can be discussed via email. Would we like to update the group picture we have on the web site? Discussed taking new picture in May.
- **Next Meeting:** Next meeting will be April 12, 2023.