

Friends of the Scotts Valley Library Meeting
3-13-2024 Minutes

1. **Welcome and call to order: 6:30 PM**
2. **In Attendance** - Sheri Morano, Susan Ady, Marc Winquest, Peppy Woll, Roxanne Dwyer, Barbara Stocklmeir, Michelle Mize, Margret Niven, Sheryl Anderson, June Langhof
3. **Approve February Minutes** – Motion made to approve. Minutes were approved.
4. **Treasurers Report** – Marc reported current balance is \$7,294.35 (\$30,000 is the CD).
5. **Presidents Report** – Aptos will celebrate their opening on June 1st. The previous event was cancelled due to weather.
6. **Scotts Valley Events since Last Meeting** - OCR – Writing Under the Influence. There was a good turn out and a nice community building feel to the event. June has already been asked to hold another event next year. The High School event for redesigning the book cover also went well. All of the entries are on display in the SV Branch.
7. **OCR** – We received a very nice email from Denise, who runs the OCR Program. It was a very successful year. Many thanks to the SV Friends Chapter and how they contributed to the program in so many ways.
8. **Pages and Popcorn** – This Saturday at 1:00 will be the first event. June has purchased popcorn and popcorn boxes for the event. 21 people have signed up so far. The book/movie will be Strangers on a Train by Alfred Hitchcock. After the movie they will discuss the movie vs the book. They have an expert to lead the discussion. June needs to know how to show the film. Library staff will be on hand, but should check to be sure someone will be available to help. Barbara will bring her water dispenser. We should also have napkins. Newsletter sign-ups will be available. If you have any ideas for future films, please share them with June. Would like to have two additional events this year, depending on the success of the event.
9. **Summer Reading Program** – There will be three programs scheduled for SV. Two are paid for through the general fund. We will need to approve \$500 for the third program. The three programs are: Sat. June 22 Bats (June 22nd), Jungle James (July 10th), Traveling Lantern Theatre (July 12th). Bats and Lanterns programs can be held in library room. Jungle James will try to hold in theater next door. We received an invoice from the theatre. Renting the theater is free, but there are additional costs. \$265 is what they want to bill us - \$25 for microphone, \$40 facility manager, \$40 each for light and sound techs, \$120 custodial. They also need \$250 refundable deposit. We will try to negotiate no microphone, sound or light tech fees. Contract agreement between the library and theater states they can approve who can runs the sound and lights. Barbara motioned to approve a maximum of \$265 to rent the theatre for the Jungle James Event on Wednesday July 10th at 1:00 with the caveat that the bill may be reduce to \$160. Approved. A second motion was made to approve \$500 for the additional program (already in budget). Approved.
10. **Adult Art Programs**– 1) Carolyn Fitz agreed to presenting a class this summer and to having 20 people. Supplies are at downtown branch. Cost is \$150 for three hours – set up and class. Materials fees will be dropped, as we can get the materials from downtown (dual sketch pens, brushes). Marc will check that the supplies are available when he is downtown. Dates - Late may? Saturday afternoon? Motion to approve \$150 for Carolyn Fitz art program. Approved. 2) Lisa Bixler held a flower making class at Felton. Flowers were made from recycled books. She doesn't charge for time, just charges for materials. We are still trying to get a price from her. We will wait to get more information from teacher. Look at having in August or September. Will make motion when additional information regarding costs.
11. June shared she has been in contact with Linda Gault, who has been in contact with the artist who did the paper Mache animals in the library - Beth Alison Gripenstraw. She is currently writing a children's book, which should be done this summer. Discussed the possibility of scheduling an author event at the library once the book is completed. Author will not be available before November.
12. **Newsletter** - 120 people are subscribed, 70 percent read. June has been putting out the newsletters monthly. She originally thought they would be quarterly. June asked for help since they are coming out more frequently. Please let her know if you are interested in helping.

13. **Book Sale** – Sheryl reported the next book sale will be held May 4th.
 14. **School Library Card Drive** – Sherly supported a program at her middle school to get library cards for all of the students. ¾ of the students got library cards. SVMS eighth graders also did a similar thing.
 15. **Giving Tree Report** - Roxanne shared that they sold another leaf on the giving tree. The family that purchased the leaf has 4 generations that have used this library.
 16. **Staff Meeting** – 2/14 and 3/13. Thank you to the library for allowing us to set up friend's corner and post the book covers from the OCR event. The library is looking to start an additional program - Game Zone on Wednesdays from 1-3. This would include board games and video (4 at a time). They are requesting a donation for snacks weekly (April 3rd through July). Marc can get snacks through Ledyard Company. Discussed that more information is needed. They asked for \$40 per week. A motion was made to give them \$150 for five weeks as a test to see how this works. Motion approved. We will revisit their request when more information is available.
 17. **FSCPL Board Meeting Updates** - Marc shared that Live Oaks Annex will be opening up and will be staffed. Monica will remain interim director through April. They are continuing to work on staffing for libraries.
 18. **Reminders:** 1) Pages and Popcorn will be held on 3-16 from 1-4, 2) April 3rd at 9:00 the current art show will be taken down, 3) Saturday April 6th at 9:00 they will put up next show, paintings by Myra Eastman
- Friends Corner** – Barbara shared that she likes to add monthly information to the friends' corner. This month featured Women's History month, World Folklore week. She invites others to contribute if they have other things they would like to include
- Back Patio** - Motion made to approve \$250 for landscaping on the back patio. Approved. Money has been allocated on the budget.
- Online Author Talks** - Next year SC library system will get online library talks for one year. This has been gifted to the libraries. Friends of Capitola is gifting this to all of the SC libraries.
19. **Next Meeting:** April 10th will be our next meeting.