Friends of the Scotts Valley Library Meeting 07-10-2024 Minutes

- 1. Welcome and call to order: 6:30 PM
- 2. **In Attendance -** Sheri Morano, Barbara Stocklmeir, Sheryl Anderson, Amy Fabbro, Roxanne Dwyer, Nancy Diaz, Peppy Woll, Sarah Beck, Judi Heher, Jeanne O'Grady, Marc Winquest, Michelle Mize
- 3. Introduction of New Executive Director of Friends Sarah Beck
- 4. **Approve June Minutes** Motion made to approve. Minutes were approved.
- 5. **Treasurers Report –** Marc reported the current balance is between \$7,500 to \$7,600. Contribution to the Summer Reading Program (\$2,500) has not been deducted yet.
- 6. Presidents Report Jeanne reported the Leadership Meeting was not held this month. Nor was there a Staff Meeting today due to the Jungle James Program. The Summer Reading Program is going very well and participation has been great. Game Zone on Wednesdays is still happening. All programs stop for the month of August and will resume in September.
- 7. **Scotts Valley Events since Last Meeting** 1) Summer Reading Program Bats, Jungle James (today) and Traveling Lantern Theater (this coming Friday) 2) Story Stroll on Patio was up for the month of June.
- 8. Friend's Corner Updated for month of July. Discussed putting children's books out front to sell for 50 cents
- 9. Adult Art Programs Jeanne shared that the new exhibit is up and looks great. There will be a closing reception on September 21st from 3:00 5:00 in the Fireside room. Margret asked if we could approve \$100 for refreshments for the event. A motion was made to approve up to \$200 for refreshments (Mexican coffee, sodas and ingredients for Nancy Diaz to make Mexican cookies). Motion approved. Discussed display of art from middle school and high school students. Raz has approved the use of the teen room to display the art. Margaret will contact the art teachers at SVMS and SVHS when school starts up.
- 10. Author Talks We are still in discussion with Beth Gripenstraw to host an event. The website for her new book is www.louletsgo.com. The Art work is beautiful. We are also looking for a book for the Spooktober event in October. The event is geared toward the preschool to 5th grade age group. The face painter from last year is willing to come back. Any suggestions for game ideas would be appreciated. October 25th is date. We are also in contact with Leslie Karst for a possible author talk. Potential dates Oct. 12th or 19th.
- 11. **Newsletter** The most recent newsletter went out for July/August. The next one will go out for September. 75 readers opened the last newsletter for a 65% open rate.
- 12. **Report from Staff Meeting** There was no staff meeting this month. It was cancelled due to the Jungle James program.
- 13. FSCPL Board Meeting Updates Marc shared that they thanked both Keith and Monica, who are leaving. They visited the new Robert A Hartman School Library at Santa Cruz Juvenile Hall. The library is a partnership of the County Probation Office, the Santa Cruz County Office of Education and the Santa Cruz Public Libraries. The library helped buy books for the library with monies from a grant. There are two librarians that are working to help maintain and update the program. A new librarian will start in SV in August. On August 17th Laurie R. King is having an author eventfrom 10:30-12:30 at the Capitola Branch. The Live Oaks Annex Grand Opening will be held at the end of August.
- 14. Additional Comments, Questions and Discussions Sheryl gave a shout out to Barbara for selling books on eBay. She has sold a total of 77 books! Sales from eBay, lobby sales and other books that Sheryl has been selling have been good. Sheryl also requests that if you have any information, you would like posted on the website, please be sure to send the information to her. If you send June any information for the newsletter, also send it to Sheryl. Website they have increased price by \$80 to \$324 per year. This will be coming due shortly. Discussed the possibility of

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obtaining a google nonprofit account. We do not currently have an account. Jeanne will not be able to attend the meeting in August.

15. **Next Meeting**: August 14th will be our next meeting.