

Minutes: Friends of the Oakley Library

Date: 12/14/2023

Meeting called to order: 6:40 pm

In attendance: Lorena Campos, Arnold Fitzpatrick, , Joy Kick, Nancy Huffaker, Lisa Cano-Loomis, Liz Fuller, Alan Kemp, Paula Kemp, Carmen Williams

Minutes: Minutes were read and approved with corrections

Liz-1<sup>st</sup>, Lorena 2nd

President's Message: Lorena Campos

- Howl la la Boo was well attended. Library staff dressed up.
- Octoberfest-we represented with a booth
- Attended Oakley City Council meeting to get update on new library plans.

Vice President's Message: Arnold Fitzpatrick

- Arnold went over city council business-new mayor and assistant mayor. Councilman Fuller delivered a letter to the council.
- Rec Department is doing a survey. There are questions about libraries on the survey-deadline to reply January 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Alan said an email adding an email blast to our data base would be a great idea.
- Arnold checked in with everyone.
- Arnold had a packet -making libraries in Contra Costa County up to par (not just wealthy areas) He said they brainstormed ideas in breakout groups at a recent Contra Costa library meeting.
- He took "implicit" bias training for alternate commissioner position.
- He is concerned about noise and bad behavior in the library after the high school lets out.

Treasurer's Report: Liz Fuller

Savings: 205.54 (new library fund) CD 905.92

Checking: 11,312.50

### Librarian's Report: Lisa Cano-Loomis

- The new literacy van "Rolling Reader" is ready to visit underserved communities. It has books, crafts and activities.
- Aspen-paper towel roll is hidden in the children's area-waiting to be found. The child who finds it gets a prize.
- Class visits continue-all second-grade classes in the district.
- OUESD Resource Fair-December 9<sup>th</sup>-we were there at our table.
- Blanket Drive-Library will give out toys and blankets soon.
- There will be a magic show on Tuesday evening-6:30 pm
- Noon Year's Eve-Jan, 30-11:00 am- we will have a countdown in the library. There will be crafts, and activities. Kristi's Creative Cupboard will be there. Lucia and Orlando are planning the event.
- There are now 22 "hotspots" available countywide available in January.
- There are people who photograph in the library seeing if there will be anyone telling them they can't. They can film/photo in public places.

### Membership Report: Liz Fuller

We currently have 33 members.

### Book Sales Report: Joy Kick

- We need more forms to keep track of people who volunteer. Paula will make out the form.
- Banner is still needed.
- She suggested we have the children/adults make bookmarks to be tucked into the books for sale with the "Friends" information on the back.

### Unfinished business:

- Newsletter
- Membership meeting
- Retreat-mission statement and goals

### New Business/For the good of the order:

Alan: How do we advertise ourselves? Monthly? We need more publicity.

Developers pay towards the new library?

Announcements:

Next Meeting: 1/17/2024

Meeting Adjourned: 8:26

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Huffaker-Secretary