Friends of the Murrieta Library General Meeting



Tuesday, January 21, 2020

Directors in Attendance: *Rita Nastri, Carol Carson,* W. Dan Rexwinkel, *Nancy Dixon , Pat Farmer and Karen Michaud*

Also, in Attendance: Programs Co-Chairs Judy Call and Maggie Pilotte, and Hospitality Chair Polly Filanc

- 1. President Rita Nastri called the meeting to order at 10:01 AM. Rita welcomed everyone; thanking them for attending to participate in the Annual Meeting and enjoy our guest speaker.
- 2. Minutes: The minutes were approved as reviewed. The approved minutes will be available on the FOML website: murrietalibraryfriends.org. Evelyn Dial, Karen Michaud and Eleanor Newhard will review the January minutes.
- 3. Treasurer's Report: Carol Carson reported
 - a) The total net income of the Bookstores and internet sales: \$ 3,703.26
 - b) Total other current assets as of December 2019: \$ 294,770.31
 - c) Donations from Abbott: \$ 78.00
 - d) Donation from Murrieta City Manager Kim Summers: \$ 2,500
 - e) Ending Business Account Balance December 31, 2019: \$ 41,855.68
 - f) President Rita thanked W. Dan Rexwinkel for providing a review of FOML financials. Rita stated that she and FOML appreciate Carol and Dan's hard work.
- 4. Library Update: Laura Davis and Steve Herring, Adult Services Librarians reported
 - a) Teen services are providing many free events/services including "How To Go To College Without Going Broke". Teen services include free ACT practice test. Please check the Library's website or Facebook for more information.
 - b) The Great Backyard Bird Count is a program for all. Check out https://www.audubon.org/conservation/about-great-backyard-bird-count
 - c) A new lending program ZIP will be available. Some materials are difficult to obtain because other libraries may not loan them. Zip Books is another way for you to request books not owned by the Murrieta Public Library. The item is shipped directly to you using Amazon Prime. After it is returned, the Library can add the item to its collection for others to check out.
 - d) Adult services include tech help, book clubs, and Library for All (for adults with disabilities, estate planning and many other programs). Again, check the Library's website or Facebook for more information.
- 5. Membership: Chair Karen Michaud
 - a) Welcomed new members, and a hello to all members and guests.
 - b) Annette Carrozzo is a new lifetime member.
 - c) Visit the membership table and all the goodies and information. Copies of the Booknotes are always available there.
- 6. Corner Bookstore: Nancy Dixon reported
 - a) The total net (internet included) for December was \$ 1,469.95

- b) The total Net for 2019 was \$ 21,169. An increase of approximately 4 %
- 7. Town Square Bookstore Update: Co- Manager Maggie Pilotte reported:
 - a) The total net income for December was \$2,233.31
 - b) The combined totals for the store and internet for 2019 were \$ 33,089.20
- 8. Programs: Program Co- Chair Maggie Pilotte stated that our speaker is author Jeri Westerson, a novelist of medieval mysteries. Author Rebecca Farnbach, who writes about the history of our valley, will be February's speaker. The speaker for March is Diane Kennedy, owner of the Finch Frolic Garden in Fallbrook. Vincent Sweeney will talk of WWII POW's at the April meeting.
- 9. Publicity: Rita
 - a) The search for a Publicity Chair continues into 2020.
 - b) A great article about FOML 's speaker this February appeared in the Neighbors Newspaper
 - c) Eblasts are constantly going out.
 - d) Articles have been placed in the Patch and the Nextdoor Murrieta daily email feed.
- 10. Hospitality: Chair Polly Filanc
 - a) Rita thanked the membership for providing the delicious goodies.
 - b) She also thanked Chair Polly and her helpers including Maggie Pilotte, Eleanor Newhard, Evelyn Dial, Mary Lou Rosczyk, Dorothy Harder, Susan Firlik, Pat Santo, Nancy Tosch, and Sandra Felker.
 - c) Polly has sign-up sheets for 2020. We need three volunteer "goodie suppliers" per month. Please consider contributing one month this year.
- 11. Special Events:
 - a) Pat Farmer discussed the successful 2019 Festival of Trees. FOML partnered with Oak Grove Center Murrieta; a facility for children at risk providing education and mentoring. Some children live in and others are day students. Several children helped us decorate the tree and after the festival the tree was transferred to Oak Grove. We hope we can continue this tradition in 2020.

12. Old Business:

- a) The Board recently accepted with regret the resignation of Orelia Moore who temporarily moved into a Director's position until today's Annual Meeting. Evelyn Dial has volunteered to fill the Director /Board position. We entertained nominations from the floor for the position of Director.
 - There being no further nominations, Evelyn was appointed to the Director position by acclamation.
- 13. New Business: None

The General Meeting was adjourned at 10:39 AM

Refreshments followed. Maggie then introduced today's program.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Farmer
Recording Secretary