



**Friends of the Murrieta Library General Membership Zoom Meeting
Tuesday October 20, 2020**

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

Also in attendance: Maggie Pilotte, Laura Davis and Judy Call

- 1. Call to order at 10:00am**
- 2. Rita announced that this is Library week. The Friends of the Murrieta Library has been able to raise over 1.1 million dollars over the years for the Library to help support all their wonderful programs. This is due mainly to all the sales in the two book stores.**
- 3. Rita thanked Dan for putting together the Zoom meetings. He has been very instrumental in making these meeting successful during this difficult time of social distancing. Dan explained the Zoom courtesies and muting procedures for the meeting today.**
- 4. September 2020 Minutes: A motion to accept minutes as written and corrected was made by Nancy Dixon and seconded by Lela Llorens. Motion approved.**
- 5. Treasurer's report: Carol Carson gave the detail of the financial transactions. The FOML has been able to stay in the black financially during this difficult financial time. Detail of the financials is attached.**
- 6. Library update: Laura Davis from the library, reported that the children's section has take home kits for curbside pickup. There will be an online holiday read-a-thon in November and December and a 1st chapter read by one of the children's librarians which will be on Facebook. There are also grab and go kits for adults to be handed out on Friday twice a month for**

curbside pickups. Monday thru Thursday are curbside pickups days for items ordered on the library website or over the telephone? Library opening date for public access into the library is not confirmed yet but 2 weeks notice will be given before the opening. Reading recommendations are posted online at the library website and on Facebook. The library is getting new self check machines soon and they were awarded a \$5000 grant for an E-book platform. Circulation is down a little since some of the libraries in nearby cities have been allowed to reopen but curbside pickup is still very busy. We thank the library staff for being there to help us use the library on a limited basis during these unusual times. They have been very helpful in continuing to support the community.

- 7. Corner Bookstore report: Nancy Dixon reported that the month of September was a record smashing sales month along with the sidewalk sale. The Corner Store is in the black financially even with the limited days that it has been able to be open in the last months during the COVID period. The total gross receipts were \$8,390 including the sidewalk sales which were \$2,320. Nancy thanked the volunteers again for their faithful dedication. Nancy thanked Dan and Rita for all the advertising of the sidewalk sale. It was a huge record breaking success. Thank you Nancy for tirelessly working to keep the store going. The many faithful customers are greatly appreciated also. The Financial report will be attached.**

- 8. Town Square Bookstore report: Maggie Pilotte reported that the store is open limited days and hours. Open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10am to 1pm. With the library and surrounding things such as the school and senior center closed there is limited foot traffic to support any more days at this time. The internet sales are doing well. As soon as the Library is able to open, we will go back to a more normal schedule. The sales in store were \$201.82 and the internet sales minus what will post in October were \$806.02 for a total of \$1007.90. Thank you to Maggie for all her hard work in keeping the store open as much as possible and for the work on the internet sales.**

9. Programs: The program today is the much anticipated presentation of “Two Women Who Cared”, the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th amendment presented by Judy Call, Bonnie Maryland and Mindy Johnson. Bonnie and Mindy are from the Temecula Historical Society. Because of an injury, Karen Michaud isn’t able to participate in the program presentation but was a big part of the preparation of the program. The November will be a presentation by Vincent Sweeny discussing the POW’s during WWII in Japan. There will be no program for December. The January will be the author Michelle Deerwester-Dalrymple. She is an award winning writer and college professor. She writes historical, paranormal and literary fiction. Thank you Maggie Pilotte and Judy Call for all the excellent programs.

10.Membership: Pat Farmer filled in for Karen Michaud and reported that 68 members have renewed their membership which increased our treasury by \$2000. We also thank the large number of lifetime members for their support. Thank you for all the Friends members and their support.

11. Publicity: Rita Nastri reported that due to a lot of events being cancelled in the community, some of the publications that we usually advertise in were not published.

12. Special Events:

Friends of the Library Week (10/18-24)

There will not be any fundraisers due to COVID cancellations

Field of Honor: check with the Rotary Club regarding flags.

Christmas Tree: We are hoping that this program will be able to go forward with some changes because of social distancing.

13. Old business: none

14. New business: none

15.Adjourned at: 10:26am

**Respectfully submitted
Evelyn Dial, Secretary**