

Friends of the Etna Public Library
Monthly Meeting
September 10, 2018

Present: Roz Squair, Peggy Whipple, Betty Petry, Barbara Coatney, Heidi Carver and Kay McKee.

Minutes of August 13, 2018: Peggy moved the minutes be approved, and Barbara seconded the motion. **MC**

Treasurer's Report: Heidi presented the August 2018 report. The beginning balance was \$9,308.83. Income for the month was of \$370.68. Expenses were \$1,770.95. The ending register balance was \$7,908.56. The Friends Book Account, after \$11.33 from Amazon, is \$1,689.57. Barbara made the motion to accept the treasurer's report with a second by Betty. **MC**

Betty requested money for a new deposit book and postal stamps. No motion as required.

President's Potpourri: Roz announced that the library received \$2000 from the Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors. Included in the letter, which was sent to the library, was the statement that there was no guarantee for future moneys.

Library Manager's Report: With Michael in attendance, volunteers had an introduction to the new software. Paula shared that it was "up and running." She had not heard any negative discussion of it. She is currently working on an Application Form for volunteers. She received a copy of the Fort Jones Museum's, as a model, from Brenda Mendenhall. Paula reminded the board that the Pilcrow Grant is nearly completed and is due on October 1st. Finally, of the \$300 dedicated to the Summer Reading Program, \$85 was not spent. Paula described the program as a "big success" with a "big turn out."

OLD BUSINESS

Melissa Bacon Memorial Fund Follow-up: A discussion was held as to how to utilize the money donated to the fund. One suggestion was the creation of "Literary Bags" for children. These would contain books and puzzles, etc., which they could check out of the library. Also, there was mentioned "Plastic Boxes" which would contain books and accompanying activities.

Tree Trimming: Roz and Peggy reported that the parking lot trees have been pruned with more to come in the Fall. A big thank you goes out to Glen Gussman for hauling away the cuttings.

NEW BUSINESS

Garden Project Plans: It has been discussed that the area in front of the library needs a new look. The plan is to initially recondition the soil with a supplement and then to plant bulbs and other types of flowers such as annuals. Roz, Peggy and Barbara will work on this project.

Giving Tuesday: Barbara shared that 85% of participants donated \$100 or less to the various organizations this past year. Also, rural areas gave more per capita than the cities. Peggy will need to make out a check for the library's registration fee.

Library Cleaning Person: The library needs to hire a cleaning person. A new job description is needed. There was a discussion about what the hourly wage should be.

Meeting adjourned. Next Meeting: October 8, 2018

Respectfully Submitted, Kay McKee, Acting Secretary