



Monthly meeting — January 4, 2024 Friends of the Aptos Library

Regular monthly meeting ~ Minutes for January 4, 2024

The meeting, held at Capitola Library, was called to order at 5:00 by Gale.

In attendance: Denise, Gale, Jim, Ofelia, Sandy, Debby, Lynn M-W, Jodi, Shirley, Susan, Coni, Lynn Mc, Carolyn, Anneleah, Tricia

Welcome by Gale

Finances: Our checking balance has \$36,000, we have a CD of \$40,000, and we have a \$10,000 CD maturing in two months. Our revenue for 2023 was \$9,887.

Rebuild: Donor reception is February 3rd from 4 till 6. Grand Opening on February 4th from 1 till 5. Library opens for good on February 5th. The donor reception will include a charcuterie board, wine, fizzy waters and cookies. Hopefully New Leaf will help us. We will ask Aptos wineries for wine donations. Aegis will buy cookies for the Grand Opening party-- we will buy from Pacific Cookies. Pacific Coffee will provide coffee. We expect 1000 attendees with entertainment, music, story time and a magician.

OCR-- We have a fantastic season planned. Lots of events, lots of participation, an author talk sold out, Lots of help from other chapters. WOW!!!

FSCPL-- holiday baskets were well received. Boundless Minds fundraiser on Santa Cruz Gives is going well. Policies and procedures review has been completed thanks to Debby and Lynn.

Aptos Friends donated 2,300 hours in volunteer hours.

OUR FEBRUARY MEETING ON FEBRUARY 8TH WILL BE IN THE APTOS LIBRARY!!!! WOOHOO!

President's report-- The Aptos Chamber luncheon is on January 18th and Zach Friend will be speaking. In the new library, the Aptos Friends will have 2 or 3 bookshelves-- this could replace our book sales. We will be discontinuing the book cart at Pacific Coffee at the end of January. With the reopening of the Aptos Branch Library, our presence at the Aptos Farmers Market will be to 3-4 times a year and not bring the book cart. We will be there January 20th to talk about OCR and the grand opening.

Branch report-- Heather spoke about the book donation policy-- again, we will wait and see how things work. Heather wants to introduce art into our library. Lynn McNussen will work with Heather on this.

We adjourned at 6:30. Next meeting is Feb. 8th at Aptos Library.