



Monthly meeting — March 6, 2024

Friends of the Aptos Library

Regular monthly meeting ~ Minutes for March 6, 2024

In attendance: Gale, Debby, Jim, Lynn Mc, Coni, Denise, Susan, Pat, Tricia, Geraldine, Ofelia, Carolyn, Lynn MW, Jodi, Shirley, Dinah, Heather, Rowan, Laura Whaley.

We opened the meeting at 5:00 p.m. at the Aptos Library.

Finances: \$869 in revenue this month. \$774 from book shelves, \$95 OCR. We have a balance of about \$40,000.

OCR: amazing committee members, amazing year. Well attended programs, fantastic events, great art, terrific author talk. We need to figure out attendance and registration. Large number of no shows. The committee meets on Monday to de-brief.

We agreed to host a **poetry reading** on June 7th at the library.

FSCPL: Lynn reported that Monica is doing a great job for us in the short term. On 3/12, the library is interviewing candidates for Library Director. FSCPL needs new board members. It's hosting a DEI meeting on Wednesday at 7:00. Please join if you can.

President's report: Gale reported that we would like to establish a programming committee. Tricia has agreed to chair that committee. Lynn MW agreed to be secretary. The vote was unanimous.

- On the programming committee, Pat, Coni, Lynn MW, Jodi, Denise and Susan.
- Lynn McNussen will be chairing the art committee. Coni, Gale and Jodi will join her.

The new library

- **Patio Furniture:** Laura Whaley worked with a few of our Friends members and came up with a nice selection of furniture for the four patios in our library. The cost came in at \$6,875-- much less than we expected. Thanks Laura. We votes to spend that money. We also approved an art hanging system that Laura is working to procure for the Aptos Library. We agreed to give her a budget of up to \$2,000 -- we wanted a system which could hold heavier art pieces.
- **On the fencing,** the bids were very high. Laura will work to come up with a better option. We tabled the discussion for now.
- **Branch update:** the library is beautiful and well used. Heather suggested that the art committee meet soon as the new selection will be hung in May. Also, Heather suggested that she would allow for book donations starting on March 15th.

We adjourned at 5:55. We'll meet again on April 4th at 5:00 p,m.