

West Sacramento Friends of the Library
56th Annual Membership Meeting
October 13, 2016

Attendees: Members and Guests

I. President Helen MacDonald called the meeting celebrating the 56th year of the Friends organization and the new Bryte CAFFE (Culinary Arts & Farm to Fork Education) venue to order at 7:55 PM and introduced dignitaries Yolo County Supervisor Oscar Villegas and West Sacramento Vice Mayor Babs Sandeen, County Librarian/Archivist Patty Wong, Interim East Yolo Regional Manager Shuqin Jiao, Yolo County Library Advisory Board members Susan Martimo and Mark Fink and Renee Collins, Director, Washington Adult School. Shuqin introduced Arthur F. Turner library staff members Sylvia Moreno, Cristina Ruiz, Gail Stovall, and Touger Vang.

II. Action

- A. October 21, 2015 minutes were approved as presented.
- B. Former president Lynda Campbell proposed the 2017 board nominations. After appealing for a volunteer to fill the president position, the following officers were elected by acclamation:

Vice President	Ken MacDonald
Treasurer	Susan Martimo
Secretary	Helen MacDonald

III. Reports

A. Treasurer's Report: Helen introduced board Treasurer Susan Martimo who reported WSFOL's assets to be \$30,000 as of September 30. A complete report will be forthcoming in the months ahead.

B. 2016 Friends of the Year: Helen presented the award to Bill and Lynda Campbell for their tireless, enthusiastic, warehouse filling, and eventual car destroying efforts to ensure that frequent and successful AFT book sales endure, one of our primary sources of revenue. And to Carol Campbell, who with her quiet, dedicated, professional and humor filled efforts keeps the ball rolling year after year.

C. President's Message

- 1. Helen listed several WSFOL undertakings in 2016:
 - Adopted an official WSFOL mascot: Little Turner, who as our ambassador went out and about to raise awareness for WSFOL and highlight the City of West Sacramento
 - Promoted AFT and WSFOL at a West Sacramento City Council Meeting, Little Turner in tow
 - Participated in the Big Day of Giving fundraiser which raised \$4,000
 - Became a presence in the world of Social Media with the enhancement of our existing Facebook page and a new spot on Twitter

- Requested and received Raley's Foundation baseball game prize packages which were given out as part of the 2016 Summer Reading Program
- Participated in a grant writing class for non-profits complete with toolkit for preparing future grant applications
- Attended *Library 101* offered by County Librarian Patty Wong, providing an invaluable overview of the Yolo County Library system
- Held three successful book sales thanks in great part to the hard work of Bill and Lynda Campbell and other volunteers
- Staffed a WSFOL table in the library lobby, provided information about WSFOL and gained several new members
- Attended Non-Profit Leaders Alliance meetings to network with other Yolo county non-profits and gathered pertinent and up-to-date information regarding non-profit management
- Participated in the Delta Clean-Up as representatives of AFT's Friends group

2. Helen acknowledged four longtime members and volunteers of the Friends who passed away in 2016: Margy Yutzy; Norma Edmonds; Don Tuttle, and John Reece

3. Helen thanked her board members Ken MacDonald, Susan Martimo, and Lana Paulhamus, for their ongoing support, hard work, and enthusiasm during the year; Don Ramos and Kris for providing extra tables for the book sales; all members and volunteers for their continuing support; and Renee Collins and Cheryle Sutton of the Bryte Caffe for the great venue, food, service, and partnership.

IV. Presentation: *Past, Present, Future*

- a. Past: Cathy Lorda, retired long time Yolo County librarian, recounted history and stories of the early days of our branch library
- b. Touger Vang, programming and outreach librarian at AFT, presented information on the current status of the library including programs, usage, and comparative statistics with other years
- c. Patty Wong, Yolo County Librarian, discussed the future of AFT with an emphasis of "Creativity, Innovation and Partnership". Automated handling for returns, more cultural diversity, solar panels for the building, digital learning, increased collaboration with Los Rios College, the city of West Sacramento, and the Washington Unified School District, a possible second library location and a library card for every student living in West Sacramento were noted.

V. Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.