

Friends of the Idyllwild Library Board Minutes

February 6, 2023

Members present: Art Connor, John Mathys, Joye Schmeidt, Laura Eversole, Lori De Marco, Mary Zimmermerman, Shannon Ng, Carol Mendoza, and Jeri John

Members Absent: Tricia Mathys, Jill Ryther, Stacy Kretsinger, Marcia Krull, Marilyn Kemple, and Desiree Zimmerman (who checked in with us after adjournment)

John opened the meeting at 9:35am.

Tate Donovan (accompanied by his mother Kat and sister) made a proposal for our support for the Idyllwild Youth Book Club, ages 9 – 13, which he is organizing. Each month the group will meet to discuss a book, enjoy a snack, and make a craft. Children involved will grow their personal libraries which they can share with siblings and friends. Our youth will be introduced to new authors and genres. He estimated the cost would be about \$100 per month for 9 months, September through May. A discussion followed about the number of children who will attend. Mary suggested that Tate also apply for the ICF grant in its next round. Joye motioned we commit \$150 per month for the Idyllwild Youth Book Club. This is to purchase books, snacks, and craft supplies. Lori seconded and the motion passed.

Noting to correct spelling of San Jacinto under “Speaker” and under Library Report change “The situation is being handled by the County” to “The county is aware of the situation,” acceptance of minutes and membership report was moved, seconded, and approved.

Library report from Shannon:

- The 3-D printer purchased with a \$2000 donation from Rotary has arrived and will be up and running soon. Thor (Astro Camp) will help with set up.
- Shannon will ask Thor if he would be willing to lead computer programming and coding lessons.
- Shannon has accepted a new position as deputy director of Riverside County Library western zone. She will be one of three directors. She will no longer be Idyllwild Library’s branch manager. She will continue to stay in Idyllwild, doing much of her work from home. She plans to attend our board meetings.
- She needs people to take all responsibilities of tasks she has been doing. We need a chair for programming.

1) Programs

She asked each of us to take an event and find availability, fees, coordinate with the library calendar, and be the contact person. We want 1 event per month. A Joshua Tree talk will happen soon.

Carol mentioned Lego will happen in April, and she hopes board members will attend.

2) Authors

We want 1 author per month.

3) Artists

Artists set up their work to show. Eric Gayworth has photography to show.

-Serving with a Purpose convention will be in Ontario on May 23, 2023. Jan Masaoka is keynote speaker and Kate Quinn will be the author featured. \$60 for early registration by March 14. Carol, Lori, and Jeri expressed interest in attending. One library staff may attend.

- Keychains have been printed. We have permission to print in bulk once a year to give out free. We should order for a year. Mary proposed \$200 for keychains, Carol seconded, and it was passed.

- Barb Reese offered to keep up our website.

- Deadlines for contributing articles for our newsletters to Nancy are April 7, July 7, and October 6, all Fridays.

Carol looked into name badges for board members from Anady's Trophy store. \$14 each and no set-up fee. Carol moved to spend \$250 on our initial purchase, Art seconded, and it passed.

We could use more board members. Susan Judkins resigned but will continue to help Mary with used donated books. Luanne Galizio, retired K teacher, is interested in joining our board with children's programs, working with Susan Righetti.

Minutes presented by Jeri John.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50am.

Next meeting is March 6, 2023, 9:30am.