

The March 17 meeting of the CFOL Board was called to order by President Diane Friedman at 7:00 p.m.

Treasurer Susan Davis reported a gift of \$20,621 from Al Culver and a Tri Co. Bank balance of \$43,107.06. Minutes of the Feb. 17 meeting were approved -- m/s/c Bomberg, Davis.

Ann Elliott said that Saturday book sales for the past several weeks (since Nov. 3) have produced over \$1,000. It was also mentioned that a recent 1st Friday sale amounted to \$500, a new high.

Oliver Allen gave the results of a recent proposed project at the Chico Mall. The mall owners don't want "free" tenants, but the local mall manager has offered the library the option of setting up a table for book drives in the center pedestrian area.

Oliver also presented information about a new project, a Book Bike; it would serve various areas in the county. He explained how it would work and asked for financial assistance for equipment. There was a motion to donate \$500 -- m/s/c Kidd, Bomberg.

An update on the Little Free libraries indicates that turnover is growing. There are now two new ones. For information there is a Free Library web page.

Librarian Brenda Crotts supplied a list of the various library services, also an explanation of the rearrangement of several categories of books. The several tables with book displays need assistance for purchase of books. A motion to donate \$1,000 was m/s/c Wahl, Kidd.

Mary Wahl cited problems in communication among the JFOL groups.

Jen Rold asked for suggestions for articles for the Carrel, to be provided by the end of March. One suggestion was a recap of city funding. Co-

editor Kelsey McGee has resigned from the board but will continue to work on the newsletter.

The Finance Committee will meet to discuss long-term financial goals.

Correspondence: from the Literacy Team (thanks for being active). There was also an article about libraries in a Rotarian Magazine.

Since Jean Andrews is no longer on the board there is need for a historian

The nominating committee for the coming year is composed of Davis, Milling, Conlin. *(See Correction 1, below)*

President Friedman read a report from McDowell regarding the April 22 cup cake sale and lottery. For information Yvonne at the real estate office is the person to contact.

In hope of increasing puzzle sales, lowering price was considered. They are now \$10.00.

The discussion of library funding was postponed until the April meeting in consideration of need for adequate time.

It was also decided that Melanie Bassett, executive director of the Downtown Chico Business Assoc., will be asked to speak at the annual meeting in May.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Correction 1: Patti Conlin, Susan Davis and Marian Milling are nominees for the board positions, not the nominating committee.