

Chico Friends of the Library Annual Meeting May 15, 2017 Minutes

President Ann Elliott called the meeting to order at 7 PM. She presented a quick summary of Friends goals. She list the main income sources with approximate amounts: Book Sale (> \$60,000) Saturdays and First Friday Members Only Sale; Donations (~ \$50,000) from Memberships, Annie B's Drive, Memorials, Cupcake Sale (Century 21 Real Estate), Quilt Drawing (Annie's Star Quilt Guild & members); Bequests (varies); Grants City of Chico Community (2016/2017: digital projector system conference room)

Ann then introduced Laura Willman from Century 21 Jeffries Lydon who presented the Friends with a virtual check for about \$3600 for the proceeds from the 6th Annual Rob Atkinson Memorial Cupcake Fundraiser. Ann accepted the check with gratitude from the Friends.

Ann outlined the major purchases of the Friends for the past year: books, magazines, electronic media (~ \$75,000); programs for children and adults (~ \$5000); weekly art & craft supplies, movie license; special events; Trivia Bee for Literacy team; remodels and enhancements (varies). This year: AWE computer for kids; computer area remodel; teen space remodel; remodel media display area; maker space – structure and components (showed diagrams of proposed space).

Ann pointed out the major changes in library operation from the past year: again open 7 days a week, and installation of RFID materials handling system. She acknowledged the efforts of all our volunteers: library volunteers, book sale volunteers, officers & board members

Annual Election:

- Officer Nominees: Vice President – Patti Conlin, Treasurer – Susan Davis
- Board Nominees (returning and new) Margaret Bomberg, Debbie Cobb Ceriani, Katherine Gould, Nancy Leek, Jen Rold, Mary Wahl, Elizabeth Berghold,
- Continuing Officers: Secretary Marian Milling, President Ann Elliott

Officers and Board members were elected unanimously by all members present.

Ann then introduced our guest speaker Dan Barnett: Columnist of *Chico Enterprise-Record* **Biblio File** book review column for the past thirty years; Philosophy Teacher - Butte College; Founder of Chico Triad on Science, Philosophy, and Theology. Dan then described his job as newspaper book reviewer. He highlighted five or six books from each of the past ten years that he particularly enjoyed or wanted to recommend. It was such a wonderful and varied list, that we posted it on our website in the following weeks. It was an enjoyable presentation for all.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30.