

FRVPL Meeting Notes, February 1, 2013

1. Meeting called to order by President TePas at 4:40 pm
2. Members Present: Ed TePas, Diann Simmons, Joe Gauder, Lew Chichester, Pat Sobrero, Larry Fugman, Betsy Brown, Cindy Swan, John Marshall, Rachel Borum, Gus Evans
County Librarian Mindy Kittay
3. Minutes of Jan. 4: Approved as written.
4. The Community Room rental fee was waived for Dee Mullen's showing of a community service film about Lyme's disease.
5. **We had about 30 people show up to January's movie, even though it was freezing out. I was great to see lots of new faces.**

Folks were generous with donations and we have six new books in our library now! Four are on the shelves and the others will be, very soon!

The Vegetable Growers Guide to Permaculture: Creating an Edible Ecosystem

On Guerrilla Gardening: A Handbook for Gardening Without Borders

Power From the People: How to Organize, Finance, and Launch Local Energy Projects – A Community Resilience Guide

Survival Mom: How to Prepare Your Family for Everyday Disasters and Worst-Case Scenarios

Deerskins Into Buckskins: How to Tan with Brain, Soap or Eggs

The Charcoal Foundry: Build Your Own Working Metal Shop from Scrap

Hope to see you at February's Sunday Matinee re-showing of *The Money Fix*, 2 PM on February 10th, in the Community Room.

March's Movie: Climate Refugees

April's Movie: The Light Bulb Conspiracy

May's Movie: SWITCH

6. Radio Station year-end Financial Statement was presented showing both 2011 and 2012 income and expenses. With net income from 2012 totaling \$9507, KYBU has approximately \$17000 in the bank. Expected expenses for 2013 are for studio construction and new equipment.

7. A change to the monthly FRVPL meeting was discussed. A motion to change the meetings to the first Thursday of the month and to a new time of 5:00 pm was approved.

8. Kitchen Report: Yovelo is using the kitchen more frequently. There is more space in the refrigerator. Fundraising has provided \$4400 for new equipment, and new equipment will be purchased. There is work on system to dry dishes. Access to new FRVPL office space is being addressed. The Kitchen Vision is continuing as a viable process.

9. Committee Reports:

Fundraising: There was a fundraising meeting on Jan. 25th, and the 2013 calendar was addressed. A "Beatles Night" event will be held on Saturday March 23rd. The KYBU radio staff has volunteered to help with set up and clean up, and several volunteers from the FRVPL will also be needed for both. Contact Lew or Larry if you can provide help. The annual fundraising dinner is planned for Saturday May 18th, but no theme has been planned. The presenting chefs will choose their own theme. A barbeque with band on July

20th is also planned. The annual membership request and fundraising donation letter will go out in June. The BBF footrace is planned to run again. There may be an additional event in the fall.

Building Use Committee:

This is a draft budget of some items that have been discussed. Some items need more discussion to discover what the need and use will be.

We only mean to give information, not to set the priorities. The exception being that we need a maintenance budget to work within.

Items for the 2013 budget:

\$5000 Metering Utilities

This includes a gas and electric meter on each air handler and an electric meter for the coffee shop panel.

\$20/sq ft - \$50/sq ft Build New Office Space

Cost depends on design

\$1000 - \$3500 Conditioned Air for Store Room

Cost depends on design (air conditioned or simply vented)

\$ 200 Reseal Siding on N. Side of Building

\$1500 Landscaping Needs

Eliminate Ivy

Water Supply at Arcade

Relandscaping (planter boxes) of Arcade

\$2000 Swamp Cooler in Lobby

\$2000 Revamp Mop Closet and add shelving to Closet

in Lobby

\$2400 Maintenance Budget of \$200/mo

\$1500 Water heater relocated

This item is from the kitchen budget.

The committee requested last year's budget in order to move forward. Utility metering is the top priority.

There was a presentation of proposed FRVPL office space in the back of the present storage area. The County Librarian was approached for funding, but funds are unavailable presently. There was a discussion of the need for office space. The necessity of office space outside the Library area was confirmed and fundraising was discussed. A request for anyone interested in any or all budget items to present their proposals or support at the next monthly meeting.

Tools have been purchased the Education Committee for use in maintaining the Commons, and these tools can be accessed with permission of a FRVPL board member who has a key.

Motion: To provide a maximum of five thousand dollars (\$5000) for metering separate areas of the Commons, and for Lew to proceed.

Approved

10. Librarian Report:

Rachel is creating more book sale space with the extra shelving. There are small adjustments to the library seating. Eventually we will rearrange the growing young adult collection.

The Large Type standing book order (Gale) is resolved. The FRVPL will now be billed annually (rather than monthly). This will help with paying bills and book budget from standing orders \$1,826.43 will be more easily tracked.

Do the Friends want to purchase more headphones? We ran out of headphones for sale at the library. CDs are not going out. I would like to use some for the radio show.

Media room is getting more and more use. People are scheduling the room for resume preparation, online courses and English/Spanish conversation classes.

Allen Frasier donated \$100.00 to purchase the three Native American publications: News from Native California, Tribal College Journal, and Winds of Change. **Thank you Allen!**

Ed TePas is selling former library books online.

The Mindy Kittay followed with a discussion about the County Library's book collection system and missions. Input from local communities is encouraged, but County Library has final say on additions to the collection. The book weeding policy was also explained. Ms. Kittay also presented several items and requests:

1.) I wanted to make sure that you were receiving the Board Package that goes out to the LAB and BOS. I double-checked and it is being emailed to the FRVPL president.

2.) It would be wonderful if we could get a children's librarian to come up to Covelo once a week. I will be reviewing the budget to see how and if I can make this happen.

3.) It is possible that I could save the Friends money on their purchases of books/media for the RV Library. If the person who does this wants to contact me I would be happy to review their vendors and see what I can do.

4.) I would like all of the friends groups to supply me with a "slush" fund for food/activities that benefit all employees of the District. What I will be requesting is \$35.00 from each group for each employee at their branch.

5.) I discussed the e-reader staff training and then lending (to staff) program that I asked all the Friends groups to participate in by providing \$500.00. I have not heard back from FRVPL about this yet.

11. A "temporary" one year MOU was presented to the members present by Ms. Kittay, and a short discussion followed. The main issue was language regarding the use of "Commons" which was contrary to the meaning held by the FRVPL. Also, there was no method or time for collection of "rents" from the County. A draft copy of this MOU will be e-mailed to every member. Input will be presented and discussed at the March 7th monthly FRVPL meeting [be aware of the new day and time].

12. Meeting adjourned by Vice President, Diann Simmons at 6:45 pm

13. Next meeting scheduled for Thursday March 7th, at 5:00 pm

Meeting notes compiled by Gus Evans, secretary FRVPL