

**Minutes of General Meeting FRVPL
Friday, October 3, 2014**

Attending:

Rachel Borum
Joe Gauder
Pat Sobrero
Carol Borden
Lew Chichester
Erin Gruey
Izzy LeMieux
Jill Dorman
Wally Clark
Larry Fugman

Meeting was called to order at 5:05 pm.
September 5, 2014 minutes approved.

Coffee Shop: Erin

Erin is interested in buying Farmers Market Coffee from Rio and Jessy. The lease expired September 30, 2014. The lease agreement states that it will be negotiated and a new agreement created subject to approval of both parties at the end of the term, which hasn't been initiated, so the agreement reverts to a month to month default.

Solar project: Lew :

The inverter for the solar panels is faulty, so we haven't gotten any gain on our electric bill. It will be replaced by the contractor, under warranty next week.

USDA grant: Lew :

Our original plan to buy books with the balance of the USDA grant that was not used for the solar project was rejected by the grantor. We need to make a list of things that were bought during the grant cycle that would be acceptable for the grant.

Landscaping plan:

A plan is in the works. It will be presented at next month's meeting. A grant can be applied for for that.

Community room booking:

There was a calendar glitch and the community room got double booked October 17 with the jazz trio and the Koch brothers movie. This will be straightened out.

Library Report: Rachel:

Mendocino County Library System logo art will be determined soon. There were many artists across the county who submitted their art to be considered for the logo. Rachel doesn't believe any artists were from Round Valley, unfortunately.

Self-check machine will replace one of the card catalog computers (at the end of the circulation desk). Nick from county IT will come later in the month to install it. Ukiah has a machine and Fort Bragg will be receiving one also.

Nick came on Tuesday to change the setting on the router to change the Wi-Fi access times. The Wi-Fi hours are now 6:00 a.m. to 10:00p.m. every day.

There will be an all library staff day on Monday, October 20, 2014 in Ukiah. They will have pepper spray training, martial arts self-defense lesson, and fire extinguisher practice.

There will be three types of tea served at our library Mad Hatters Party on Halloween. Other library branches will also be hosting events for Halloween. Thanks to Rosy in Ukiah for organizing this programming idea across the branches.

Bob Dill will be constructing an office for the FRVPL in the shared storage space. There will be more office space for volunteers and staff to do library duties and projects. We will be moving most of the library items out of the way so Bob and his crew can do the construction. Rachel will take home the two wooden shelves from the storage as they are not going to be utilized.

Attachment: Bob's blueprint of changes.

Rachel regrets to inform us that she is looking for work within Mendocino County farther south in Little River. She will miss this community immensely; however it is time to continue on her path. She will inform us when there is an exact date of resignation. She says: Thank you for all you have done for the library and your commitment to our community! We've all come a long way since 2006!

Movie Report: Pat

The Movie Series is back with a screening of **Open Sesame: The Story of Seeds**. It will show at 7:30pm, Friday, October 10th in the Community Room.

A trailer for the film is here: <http://www.opensesamemovie.com/>

Seed Library: Pat:

The Seed Library is starting to see a trickle of seed donations and expects to see more very soon. We are excited to receive these donations but do realize the importance of making sure that donated seed will produce the plants folks expect when they check it out next season. We have had two donations of hybrid seed and need to get the word out to our members that returned seed should *only* be from open-pollinated varieties. (Make sure that you have looked over our seed saving brochure and respected isolation distances between varieties of the same species.)

Pat will be attending the Seed Librarians summit at the Heirloom Expo in Santa Rosa to meet Seed Librarians from all over the country to discuss best practices, attend talks, and spend time with other seedy people. It was decided to reimburse Pat \$315.95 in travel expenses.

She is looking for a good, energy efficient fridge for medium-term storage of seeds outside of the growing season. If you are upgrading to a newer model would you like to donate your old one to the Seed Library?

Radio: Lew:

The September 14 party was a success. \$7,000 was grossed in five hours. 29 new members joined and there were 30 renewals.

There will be radio interviews with call in with the two 3rd district supervisor candidates closer to election time.

The next party will be December 6 with Fox's Blues Band from Oakland.

Finance: Joe:

There is c.\$70,000 in the bank. Income has been good this year. We have taken in c.\$9,000 in memberships, c.\$9,000 in fundraising and \$37,500 in rental income. Total income to date is 58,943.44. We have had \$33,898.57 in expenses.

Interior painting: Lew:

The hall and lobby will be painted between art shows.

Insurance: Lew:

The fire and liability insurance is due now. There is a lot of information required, mostly about our special events where we serve/sell liquor. We also need to update the values of the contents and fixtures for the building. A check has been sent in for the current policy as it stands and Lew will revise it when he finishes working on it. Then, we may need to pay a bit more.

Fundraising: Larry:

There will be a dance November 15 with Keith Porter of the Itals. Nightsun is arranging this and the information needs to be confirmed. We can hire a clean-up crew as the volunteers who have been doing that are a bit burned out.

There will be a newsletter coming out soon.

Kitchen: Izzy:

The rentals are good, with a sustained amount coming in.

The home school co-op will have a Halloween party on the patio.

Affordable Plumbing will move the water heater, which needs to be done to install the dishwasher. The holes have already been cut into the roof, so this needs to be done ASAP before the rains set in.

Izzy will be shopping for kitchen equipment, as per our budget allocation. She has been ordering building and kitchen supplies directly from Ukiah Paper Supply.

Izzy recommends raising the kitchen use rent for the coffee shop when we renegotiate the lease.

There is a supper club that has formed. There will be a pot luck once a month and a catered dinner once a month in the Commons. The first pot luck has already happened and the first catered dinner will be October 19.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm

Next meeting: November 7 at 5pm

Submitted by Carol Borden, secretary, FRVPL