Friends of the Capitola Branch Library

Chapter of the Friends of the Santa Cruz Libraries

Meeting Minutes June 16, 2018

1. Welcome and Sign up Sheet

Members of the group introduced themselves and Toni thanked everyone for coming

2. Treasurer's Report

Karen Scott reported that the Capitola Friends' bank balance was over \$18,000.00. We've made over \$1500 from Amazon sales. Sales at the bookstore have netted around \$9,000.00.

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4. Book Store

We recently acquired a popcorn machine and will be serving popcorn at the store on first Saturdays. We're still wanting donations, please contact Karen for pickup. If you have just a few bags you can bring them to the store.

5. Library Staff Discussion

Melanie Barish is currently at Felton and Live Oak. She commented that the current Felton branch is tiny in contrast to Live Oak which has lots of storage. The Capitola closing sale went well and the building is completely empty. Brenda McIlroy spoke about story time at the Memorial Library and the Discovery Museum. At the museum they're getting parents and kids that they didn't see at the library.

6. Friends' Capital Donation Discussion

Tabled.

7. Building Update

Capitola unsealed bids recently and the 2 lowest were about the same – over budget by about 25%. Toni mentioned several strategies that are being considered, but most likely they will see if they can reduce materials cost. The city has given the project manager direction to talk with the low bid contractor to see what can be taken out. If someone names the building, that could help. Bids are valid for 60 days. They hope to have closure by the end of June. As soon as this is resolved the public campaign will begin.

8. SCPL Celebrating 150 years.

All branches are participating September 24-28 for "Banned Book Week." If anyone would like to pick and read from a banned book for video, please contact Geri Hancock. Interviews will be at the bookstore.

8. <u>Next meeting: August 18, 2018 at 9:00 AM</u>. The meeting adjourned at 10:07 AM.