

Friends of the Oviatt Library (FOL)
Minutes, Nov. 17, 2017
Administrative Conference Room, Oviatt Library

The meeting was called to order by Jim at 10:06 a.m.

Present: Dean Mark Stover, Elizabeth Altman, Vickie Campbell, Iris Caplan, Dorothy Fabricant, Bob Gohstand, Bernice Habner, Sigrid Hafner, Doris Helfer, Christina Mayberry, David Morck, Jim Parker, Rita Streimer, Hazel Wittenberg.

The minutes of the Oct. meeting were unanimously approved with corrections.

Announcements:

Upcoming FOL Board meetings:

Dec. 8th, Volunteer Holiday party, **10:30 am**, Orange Grove Bistro-The start of hotel construction has been put off until 2018.

Change Friday, Jan. 19th to Friday, **Jan. 26th** (Admin Conference room) –Dean’s Retreat on Jan. 19th.

Upcoming Events:

Jan. 18th 5:30 pm-7:30 pm, Opening of the Special Collections Reading room

Note: Library will be open after hours for those who have RSVP’d.

Congratulations to Jim Parker for winning the CSUN Volunteer of the Year Award for the Friends.

Congratulations to Dorothy Fabricant for winning the CSUN Volunteer of the Year Award for the Arts Council.

Old Business:

Docents for the Oviatt Library: Mark will meet with Coleen Martin in early December to discuss the availability of Docents for casual tours.

Sigrid and Bob will be on the Non Fiction Award Selection Committee. Dec 1st is the submission deadline for the Non Fiction Award.

New Business

Elizabeth and David made a presentation concerning using the Gohstand Reading room for Book Clubs. Have a Reading Room web page with a list of books in the reading room, have staff/faculty book reviews/recommendations, have student book reviews/recommendations, and solicit book purchases. Need to have rich content before promoting heavily. Possibly mention all the different places and ways of accessing books.

A motion was passed to form a committee for Promoting Literary Culture, Elizabeth Altman, David Morck, Bob Gohstand, and Gina Flores have been nominated for the committee. Ideas about using the Gohstand Reading room-have campus book clubs and possibly community book clubs utilize the Gohstand Reading room.

Ideas about actively soliciting Friends memberships-possibly offer 1 year free membership to recent CSUN grads, highlight the benefits of joining the Friends more prominently, promote premium Friends events on the Friends webpage.

Committee Reports

Program Committee-Sunday, Feb. 4th, 1:00 pm, Orange Grove Bistro, Hitler in Los Angeles with Steve Ross. Since the focus of this event has changed, Bernice and Mark will discuss a Friends' event for later in the Spring semester.

Gift Book/Book Sale Committee-We have raised about \$3,500 since we opened the Lobby Book Cart. There will be no Portico Book Sales until there is enough inventory to support it.

Closing Remarks

The next FOL meeting will be on Friday, December 8th at 10:30 a.m. at the Orange Grove Bistro.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:58 a.m.