

BOARD MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, August 11, 2026

I. Call to Order – Gloria Pilotti Irey

II. Welcome/Introductions – Gloria Pilotti Irey

III. Conduct Roll Call; Confirm Quorum – Linda Morley

IV. Library Report – Kathryn Hunt - Thank you to FOLL for the fantastic Lisa See event. Thank you to Linda D for Western Placer Unified School District HUB Resource Fair where library staff issued 50 cards and renewed dozens of others. Kathryn said she would like to know the 3-4 best outreach events to leverage library participation. A successful parking relationship was achieved for the Rhinos first game. Thanked FOLL for help providing successful events such as Magic show which had a full house. The staff coordinated a display of magic books, and all were checked out after the show! On August 24, the library will go back to 9am opening time to match school hours. Planning has begun for fall programs including Family Art Night and the Little Explorers early literacy program. This fall, the library will transition from an in-person homework center to an online based site to offer a better way to serve the community. New water bottle drinking fountain is now in place as part of library lobby upgrades.

V. Consent Items –

a. Approval of Meeting Minutes from July 14, 2026. 1st Bill Szabo 2nd Carol Dickey
Motion passed

VI. Officer/Director Reports:

A. President – Gloria Pilotti Irey Attended the LAB/LAC meeting Aug 5. Featured TAB with about a dozen teens in attendance who gave an impressive presentation followed by a Q&A. Discussion of the parking situation resulted in one committee member reaching out to the 12B principal to develop a map of permitted spaces to give to event holders when they sign a usage contract. Failure to comply with the parking requirements may result in termination of facility use privileges. FAN will be on Oct 10, and Gloria will assemble volunteers for that event. Tiny Art kits will be available 9/1. Youth Literary Festival in November, waiting for Sam to confirm date. Candlelight concert may happen again in December.

B. Vice President – Vacant

C. Secretary – Linda Morley: Photos: Ice Cream Social, Magic Show, Lisa See. Volunteered at Back-to-School event. Will start participating in the FAN planning meetings today.

D. Treasurer – Carol Dickey Emailed July financial reports to board. It should be noted that not all the charges for the Lisa See event are included in these numbers. There might still be some travel expenses and small invoices to be submitted for payment which may push us over the original \$10k budget. A CD that came due July 30 was renewed for another 6 months with a yield of 3.20%. We have not yet received the June quarterly report for the FOLL City Account. Therefore, April-June expenses for staff hours for MGOL and FMN and potentially other costs are not reflected in the current reports. We anticipate receiving the City report in August.

E. Book Sales Director – Sharon Gorley

Daily Book Sales total \$1383.75 No sales report from Rebekah who is still dealing with her move. She told me last week that she sold one of the ex-library books, from the recent purge, for \$200, so we have a good report coming.

New Volunteer: Dena Erwin, who also takes care of the plants in the library.

F. Community Outreach Director – Linda Derosier

Created 200 small fans with library and FOLL info for use at OR events. FOLL had a nice location at Western Placer Unified School District HUB Resource Fair where there were about 1,000 residents in attendance and the Latino Council provided interpreters. No events scheduled until FAN. Will be gone for a month so will not be able to attend the next board meeting. Attended National Night Out at McBean Pavilion which was not as successful for FOLL as in past years. Lynne commented that she felt that there were fewer attendees due to the heat and it is difficult to talk to them given the table location and commotion. Senior Resource fair will be in September.

G. Grants Director – Neil Cochran- Following up with McBean Company on a potential grant. Followed up with Union Pacific and Costco grants requested for FAN and anticipating answers in September. Talking with both Lincoln Community Foundation and Lincoln Hills Foundation on their specific plans for 2027 grant monies. Carol Dickey suggested contacting the Rogers Company in Lincoln to find out about grant possibilities.

H. Membership – Cassandra Hawley-Davis Added 18 members in July and 20 in August. Membership at 395 to date.

I. Newsletter Director – Karen Lindh (Absent) Written report submitted:

- Lisa See recap (sidebar with stuffed dog story)

Library News

- National Library Card Sign-Up Month
- Little Explorers launches on September 2
- Tiny Art Show kits available as of Sept. 1
- Return of Homework Help
- Further extract from Library Community Outreach report – chart showing median usage, collection statistics, and staffing across the state.

TAB - Cover to Cover Book Club

Regular library and FOLL activities

J. Social Media Director – Lynne Rossi Researching website companies to take over management and coding of the FOLL site. Has talked to two companies and mentioned the possibility that a friend might volunteer to take on the responsibilities of running the site.

K. Volunteer & Hospitality Director – Bill Szabo Helped at the resource fair and Lisa See event.

VII. Committee Reports:

A. None

VIII. Unfinished Business:

A. Lisa See Author Event Recap – All Cathie Szabo reported on how appreciative people were when standing in line and estimated 60-70% were SCLH residents. The line stretched the entire length of the Orchard Creek lodge hallway. Ballroom seating was 350 rather than 450 as we were told, so unfortunately approximately 50 had to be turned away. Attendance was estimated at 400 including small allowance for standing. Barnes & Noble equipment was not working so Gloria stepped in to sell about 35 books through FOLL. B&N provided a “cut” so FOLL made about \$185 profit on that effort. Lincoln Hills library sent an email with some suggestions for future events and Sam and Gloria will respond. Consensus was this was a successful evening, laying the groundwork for potential future events of this size. Linda M gave it a “10” and complimented the library on the staging design.

Finances: Anticipated cost of \$12,700 including travel so we are about \$3,000 over budget. Motion made to increase budget to \$13k : Carol D 1st Cassandra 2nd Motion passed.

B. City Sales Tax Measure – Gloria & Linda D. met with Kathryn after hours and discussed the fact that FOLL has such a close relationship with the library that we should be careful in stating a position that might be construed as reflecting the library's opinion. It was agreed that FOLL will not take a position on this issue.

IX. New Business:

A. Board Approval to Appoint Bill Szabo as Vice President – Gloria Motion 1st Linda D 2nd Sharon Motion Passed

B. National Friends of Libraries Week (Oct. 18-24)/Annual Meeting Suggestions – All

Annual meeting ideas– Sharon suggested auctioning off signed Lisa See posters. What type of event should we have? Linda M. suggested following last year's format with a local author speaker such as James L'Etoile. Linda D. suggested having a panel of authors such as Joan Griffen and Jeri Ferris. Possibly hold at SCLH again or in Willow Room? Linda D. suggested serving coffee , tea, and a cake decorated for FOLL's 40-year anniversary. Suggested date of October 24. Sharon, Linda D, and Cassandra will help on the planning committee.

X. General Announcements and Closing Comments

XI. Adjournment- 11:30

Guests: Cathie Szabo

Next Board Meeting Date – September 8, 2026 – Fir Room