

**Friends of the Coronado Center Library
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
July 15, 2026**

Present: Rebecca Schulte (chair), Lynne Eshenour, Sonja Griggs, Betsy Martens

Approval of Meeting Agenda and June 2026 Minutes

Schulte called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. The June 2026 minutes were approved, as moved by Eshenour and seconded by Griggs. The July 2026 agenda was approved, as moved by Martens and seconded by Eshenour.

Library Liaison

As no library liaison was present, Schulte presented the librarian's report. Book circulation increased by 12% from May to June. The children's summer reading program continues to be successful, with POA general manager Ken Unger as guest reader for the seventh week. Eshenour renewed last month's discussion about ordering single copies of books requested by book clubs that are not available through the usual library ordering processes (when funds are available). Martens moved that \$150 be made available, seconded by Griggs, and this was unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report for June 2026

Griggs presented the treasurer's report, noting that the budget is on track for the year. FOCCL now has 136 members.

Old Business

Last month's Wine & Cheese author event was discussed, including the excellent coverage by the HSV *Village Voice*. The group agreed that the Ponce venue is preferable to the Coronado Center space for these events. Our November 10 author event will be rescheduled to accommodate this.

The fall membership drive was then discussed, with Schulte reporting that the library is supportive of having a membership poster and recruitment table there. It was decided that our official membership drive will begin in October, but that we will immediately begin to promote the "join now and your membership will be good until January 2028" option on the FOCCL website. Griggs shared the latest drafts of letters to our lapsed and our lifetime members, both of which the board approved.

Eshenour reported on her comparison of the two graphic design programs, stating that Canva was preferable. She will now start a paid subscription to Canva, which will also allow other interested board members to learn and use it.

New Business

Schulte updated the group on initial preparations for the fall Trivia Night, including progress on question development and the creation of templates to guide committee activities. Kuhlman will again co-chair with her. Ike Eisenhower's State Farm agency will again be our primary sponsor. Eshenour shared her initial draft of the Trivia Night poster, which also announces that tailgating is returning as part of the event. Registration will open on August 6.

As chair of the nominating committee, Schulte suggested the names of two candidates to fill the vacant seats of our recently resigned board members and who then will be eligible for Board election in November. Eshenour moved to approve inviting these two individuals to join the Board, seconded by Griggs, and unanimously approved.

The group discussed some new ways to appreciate library volunteers to replace our December volunteer luncheon.

Schulte described her recent conversations with the HSV Community Foundation, an upcoming visit by our contact there to our August meeting, and a potential grant opportunity focusing on the senior population of the Village.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:51 PM.

Calendar:

July 22 HSV Chamber of Commerce Partner-Up Lunch, Sunset Grill (Martens to attend)
August 19 FOCCL Board Meeting, Coronado Center

Respectfully submitted,
Betsy Martens, FOCCL Secretary