## Friends of the South Coastal Library Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday, June 25, 2024, 7:00PM President's Report

Please, EVERYONE, support the BBCT by promoting it to friends and family, buying your own Tour tickets , attending the Tour, identifying yourself as a FOSCL Board member, and thanking every volunteer you encounter.

Please, Everyone, buy raffle tickets, because – why wouldn't you?!? This is our big gig, and offers great art and eats for only \$1 per ticket!

ad hoc Development Committee: Once again, this group is on the move. I had the pleasure of joining Connie, Kathy J and Liz for a shift at the first-ever

FOSCL booth at the Bethany Seaside Arts Festival, where we had a go at increasing community awareness about FOSCL and our support of the library. Kudos and many thanks to Connie for QBing this project from start to finish – securing a spot, developing and ordering beautiful FOSCL banners, posters and other promotional items, finding and ordering the regulation canopy, organizing the schedule of board members to staff the booth, schlepping it all to town, setting it up in



the morning and breaking it down in the afternoon, and everything in between. And thanks to those who stepped up to share a few hours of their time with this project (Edie, Dianna, Kathy J, Liz, Barb, and a much appreciated member of the FoSCL Spouse Corps, Liz's husband Tom.)



Looking ahead to our **Cooking For A Cause** event in

November, I created a basket for our silent auction: a beachthemed collection of fun items. I will bring it to the meeting so you can check it out. I have a few other items to contribute if anyone wants to grab those and start a basket with a Spa/Self-



Care theme or a children's/farm theme, Please DO!

**Strategic Thinking/Planning Board Session:** At our meeting in April we discussed this idea, and subsequently voted to commit to and fund (\$1,000) it. Linda Lewis, a former FOSCL Board member and professional facilitator, has agreed to conduct our session(s). Many of you responded to my request for input on the agenda, and I have compiled your comments and shared with Linda. We have two half-day sessions scheduled for Saturday, September 21, 2024 and Friday, September 27, 2024. Please know that we did our best to balance the needs and availability of all current Board members, and we're hopeful that these dates will be workable for newly elected board members as well.

**Nominations:** This may be the biggest slate of nominees FOSCL has ever had, so please start thinking now about how to best brief them on your committee and other activities at the October meeting. Anyone who would like to work with the Nominations Committee on the October Board Orientation, please let Rachel know as soon as possible. The nomination of officers will be presented

by the Nominations Committee at the August meeting. The terms of President, Secretary and Treasurer end September 2024:

Barb Calkins President Oct 2022 thru Sept 2024 (1st term)
Kathy Green Vice President Oct 2021 thru Sept 2025 (2nd term)
Tony Parisi Treasurer Oct 2021 thru Sept 2024 (2nd term)
Helen Pastis Recording Secretary thru Sept 2024 (1st term)

Kathy Jankowski Systems Manager thru Sept 2025

**Nametags:** I will be purchasing magnetic-style name tags for all Board members to be worn at our meetings, public events, and any and everywhere you can. The oder is ready to go as soon as I can add the names of newly elected Board members.



**FOSCL Office Phone:** With deepest gratitude to our patient and effective Phonegate Team (Sue, Kristen, Tony, KathyG, and George from County IT) we once again have a working phone that rings in the office, plays an outgoing message and receives incoming message recordings. Phew. As a bonus, we are saving a good chunk of money by eliminating our phone bill for the 537 number and taking the County-provided number as our one and only. Yes, there will be some hiccups, but we will manage. Sue has generously agreed to take messages from anyone who calls the library in an attempt to reach foscl. Please get the word out about the phone number change everywhere:

FOSCL = **302-853-5884** 

**Board Reports:** Let's revisit/clarify/nail down how we are distributing reports. I believe we previously agreed that all reports would go on the Members-Only section of the FOSCL website (clarify process?) rather than distribution via email.

**Looking Ahead:** Note that there is no Board meeting in July; we will meet again August 27 and the agenda then will include election of officers. There are two of us with terms coming to an end – Helen and me, and one rotating off the Board - Tony. Please always be thinking about preparing to step up to

serve as an officer and Executive Committee member; succession planning is one of our most important responsibilities. If you have an interest, please speak up (or prepare yourself for next time!)

What to expect at the June meeting: Please let me know of any errors/omissions noticed in this report.

Respectfully Submitted, Barb Calkins

## **2024 Meeting Schedule**

(January - no Board meeting)

(February - no Board meeting)

Tuesday, March 26, 2024

Wednesday, April 24, 2024

(May - No Board Meeting)

Tuesday, June 25, 2024 (Nominations Meeting)

(July - No Meeting)

Tuesday, August 27, 2024

Tuesday, September 24, 2024 (Annual Meeting open to the public)

Tuesday, October 22, 2024 (New Board Member Orientation Meeting)

(November - No Meeting)

**Monday**, December 2, 2024 (Annual Budget Meeting) Please note the MONDAY date!

## **Parking Lot of Ideas for Future Discussion**

- FOSCL Social Media Presence (The basics: Facebook! Instagram!)
- I am keeping a running list of bylaws corrections/additions for future attention. Please let me know if you notice anything. Thanks!
- Consider adding additional Board Meeting(s) to the calendar going forward