

Friends of the South Coastal Library
Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, September 26, 2023, 7:00PM
President's Report

General: Hello Everyone and especially warm welcome to our new Board members, who begin their term in October, 2023. Great to have you aboard!

Below are the bios as presented by Rachel in a previous Nominations Committee report so you can study up and help make a warm and welcoming reception for our new team members. A reminder to please be ready with a scintillating description of your programs and projects for their October Board Orientation. Thank You.

FOSCL Rack Card: We are almost out of rack cards, so I have asked Darin and his committee to have a look to see if/how it may fit into our communications/public-awareness-of-foscl plan. Please share any thoughts you have with Darin.

BBCT: Looking forward to hearing from the BBCT Committee about their pluses-and-deltas analysis of the 2023 Tour, and how the FOSCL Board can help with any changes/adjustments/improvements they recommend.

Looking Ahead: We have had an undeniably great year, thanks to the hard work, commitment, dedication, and lightness of spirit of this Board, Library Director and staff, and vitally important sponsors, supporters and partners of all our projects. If you are tired, I understand fully! Still, I want to invite you to ponder FoSCL's future with me as we ease into our January-February break after the October board Orientation meeting and the December Annual Budget Meeting.

In that spirit, it may be timely to:

- set priorities
- focus effort and resources
- establish agreement around intended goals and desired results
- ensure everyone is working toward the common goals
- assess the environment and make any necessary course corrections
- articulate where the organization is going and the actions needed to make progress, and
- establish metrics for measuring success.

Some questions to ponder along those lines:

What is the need FoSCL is addressing, and does everything we do work to address that need in some way?

What do you see as FoSCL's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats? (a SWOT analysis is always helpful)

Are we creating the most compelling outcomes based on the resources we have at our disposal?

Where should FoSCL be focusing its future efforts, and why?

What resources will it take to get where we want to go and how can we develop those resources?

What positive rewards do you get from your service on the FoSCL board? What more would you like to get?

I'm hoping that everyone will have thoughts and opinions on these questions without too much heavy lifting, and I look forward to hearing them! Maybe send me note or give me a call when I return? Thank You.

What to expect at the September meeting: Just a reminder that I will be away and out of reach from September 3 through 25. VP Kathy G will prepare for and chair the September Annual Public Meeting. I hope to be there, but know my reaction to jet lag well enough to have entrusted you to steadier hands.

Please send any errors/omissions you may notice in this report; if I list the wrong date, for



example. And, of course, if you have business items to come before the board, please let the Executive Committee know as soon as you can.

Respectfully Submitted,
Barb Calkins