



## MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FRIENDS OF MONTE RIO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Date: Saturday, February 5, 2022 @ Noon

Location: [Zoom](#)

1. **Call to Order – 12:00 noon**
2. **Roll Call** – Board Members: Rhian Miller, Fran Levy, Damien Olson and Rose O'Connor  
Members of the Public: Ryan Ver Berkmoes , Renata Foucre, Austin Buckingham, Kyra Wink, Suki Robb-Wider, Anna Cabrera, Amanda Yskamp , Roberto Esteves and David Gatlin
3. **Presidents Annual Report - Rhian**  
Events hosted by FOMR which succeeded in spite of Covid restrictions included the first annual Rio Fest, Dia de Los Muertos and the Wonderland Radio Hour.
4. **Treasurer Report – Fran**  
Rio Fest was supported by a \$2K grant from the county, \$486 earned from the food concessions (?) and \$850 from the raffle. Future calls on the group's finances include \$3K for swimming lessons and \$350 for the Spring Festival.
5. **Review of Programs /Call for Co-Coordinator & Committee Members**  
Of course, all programs subject to change, dependent on COVID protocols  
**Supper Club**, the biggest ongoing FOMR program was almost too popular and, when reinstated, changes will have to be made. Amanda will continue arranging for talent, Fran will need more help for this ongoing very popular event. No firm date was set for its reinstatement, as much more discussion needs to be had regarding what form it should take.  
**Rio Fest** was a success at least in part due to the large number of volunteers who came in to help. No firm date was set for 2022 but there is a grant available that expires June 30th. Rhian applied for the SoCo grant that FoMR got last year. Kyra, Amanda, Damien and David are all on board to help

**The Spring Festival**, including an Easter Egg hunt and games, might be moved from the Community Center to the Monte Rio School and, with the help of the PTA, be a school fundraiser. Damien will help with the Spring Festival.

**Game Night** will continue as a monthly pot luck event overseen by Amanda and Rose will volunteer to help.

**Film Night** will continue as an occasional event. Roberto and Austin would like to help with Film Night.

**Swimming Lessons** – Fran will see if YMCA is planning 2022 lessons. Swimming lessons in collaboration with the YMCA for ages 4 and up will emphasize being safe in the water. Three classes per week for two weeks will cost \$10.

**Dia de Muertos** – Dia de Los Muertos was a big success in spite of the rain. Austin will volunteer for future Dias.

**Wonderland Radio Hour**- The First Season focused on the Lower Russian River, completed at the end of the year. Future funding may be sought to continue featuring towns up and down the creeks

**Fundraising /Membership Drive** FOMR is planning a Fundraising Membership Drive. Fran will lead this and David will help with the web site. Suggested membership fee is \$25 or whatever a member is able to pay.

**Social Media – Ryan Ver Berkmoes** volunteers to do a monthly newsletter and to continue outreach through Facebook. He will also work with Roberto on a Historic Walking Tour of Monte Rio. Austin suggests FOMR also include Instagram in its outreach program.

6. **Public Comment -none**
7. **Action Items - Rose**
8. **Next Meeting - January 15, 2023**
9. **Adjournment – 12:42pm**