

YOLO COUNTY LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

226 Buckeye Street, Woodland, CA 95695

**Meeting Location: Montgomery Elementary Satellite Library, 1441 Danbury St., Davis
530-759-2100**

**Wednesday, February 13, 2013
7:00 P.M.**

Call to order: 7:05 pm

Present: Holly Bishop, Chair; Susan Martimo, Sharon Hallberg, Bill Campbell, Rebecca Fridae, Patty Wong, Nora Brazil, Elizabeth Gray **Missing:** Andrea Jones, Vice-Chair; Rie Surad-Miller

Introductions/Welcome: No members from the public. Corrected telephone number for Montgomery Elementary library noted.

Approval of Minutes from December 12, 2012: Nora moved, Rebecca seconded. Approved as amended.

Acknowledgements: Welcome to Susan Martimo on her return.

LAB Development (7:12 – 7:35)

1. LAB purpose statement and goals - done
2. Calendar update and discussion – Sharon brought the draft calendar.
 - a. Feb. 28 Yolo Friends initial meeting – Sharon attended
 - b. Bill will attend CLFOL meeting on Feb. 21
 - c. Bill will attend WSFOL on Feb. 27
 - d. Rie attends FERL on March 5
 - e. Holly attend DFOL on April 3
 - f. Rebecca will attend March 7
 - g. WSFOL booksale – March 16&17 Bill attends
 - h. Bill will attend March CLFOL
 - i. Bill will attend WSFOL in March
 - j. May 21 Budget presentation Sharon and Holly attend
3. Positions responsibilities/descriptions- update
 - a. Hospitality – proposal by Nora B. If you are hosting a meeting in your district, you provide snacks.
 - b. Rebecca will join with Nora B. in Hospitality and organize the bi-annual Friends meeting with all the important County Representatives invited.
 - c. Legislative liaison – Sharon Hallberg will meet with Patty regularly to discuss which legislative issues are affecting public libraries. Sharon is a member of “United for Libraries”. California Public Library Advocates is another resource that offers workshops such as the one on advocacy on March 16 in San Mateo.

4. Board Buddy system – Proposal to have Board members be a buddy. Rebecca and Nora. Holly and Bill are buddies, Susan and Sharon are buddies, Rie and Andrea are buddies. Buddies will make sure that buddies are informed if one of them is absent. Buddies will provide orientation to the newer meeting. Rebecca will contact Rie. Sharon will contact Andrea.

Old Business:

Tour for Bill between April 5 and 19th Invite Mindi, Patrick. Holly will go with Bill.

County Librarian's Report/Update/Budget:

CommuniCare facility has broken ground next door to YCL Central Services in Woodland. It is scheduled to be finished in Spring of 2014.

New representatives:

CA State Assemblymember Roger Dickinson, 7th district (West Sacramento);

CA State Senate, Darrell Steinberg, 6th district (West Sacramento)

House of Representatives Doris Matsui (D-CA 6th district);

Congressman Jon Garamendi (D-CA 3rd district);

CLA will do "Day in the District" not legislative day. Patty has met with CA State Assemblymember Mariko Yamada. Please contact Patty if you are interested in meeting with state representatives.

Budget: Yolo County is at impasse with General Unit 39. This costs the County over one million dollars. There is a hiring freeze to compensate for this lost income. We can fill positions on a case by case basis. There will be no further furloughs. We are not hopeful for a re-institution of the VLF in-lieu funds. The Library/Archives will see our allocation from the CAO at the end of March. County Librarian, Patty Wong, will go before the Board of Supervisors on May 29 for approval of the budget. On Tuesday, the Strategic Plan (2012-2013) and the Community Report (2009-2012) were accepted by the Board of Supervisors. Supervisor Provenza inquired at that time about additional hours in Knights Landing and Yolo. Patty noted that without funding we cannot provide additional hours but that we have been providing additional programs and services to the Yolo community and that a "Friends of the Library" group is forming in Yolo. School districts are all aware of the great service the public library is providing. This summer, all the rural branches except KL and Yolo, will be moving to a one-shift schedule as much as possible. This will closer align expenditures with revenues and increase operating efficiency. Conversations with the community will determine which hours the libraries will be open. City of Winters provides support for the library. But the reduction of students and the budget difficulties of the school district continue to present challenges for library operations.

West Sacramento City is still providing support plus what was the RDA per year. Hours at AFT will remain constant.

City of Davis supports with RDA plus Measure P. Library hours for Davis will remain constant.

The County Librarian's report includes highlights from the ALA conference and other items.

Recent Grants: National Endowment of Humanities grant for Archives preservation for \$6,000.

CA State Library Pitch-an-Idea grant for \$60,000 for staff training in Strengths and Youth Development. Library Advisory Board members are invited to attend the **Youth Development Institute** with YCL staff. There are two sessions: **Session 1** is April 8, 15, 29 and May 6. **Session 2** is May 13, May 20, June 3, and June 17. All are held at the Turner Community Library in West Sacramento **except for** April 29 and May 20 which will be held at the Stephens Davis Library in Davis.

Yolo County Youth Development Coalition has begun to work on bringing Youth Development throughout the County.

The Health and Wellness committee and funds will help get all staff assessed on their Strengths.

The Board of Supervisors has not approved CA State Senator Wolk's measure so the LAB cannot write a letter in support. Individuals can write a letter of support, however. Patty shared a document from 2007 that shows the need for Library funds for construction.

The Spanish Language Book Fair was successful. We did have a request to change the time a little later so that school teachers can attend. Many teachers did come between 2:30 and 4 pm.

No word yet on the South Davis community task force. It is still a priority. Merryhill, a private elementary school, is closing its location on Lillard Drive right next to the park and Montgomery Elementary. Other private schools are in competition for this building. YCL is not in the position to provide services in that building but will continue to follow developments.

Reports from Members:

Rie Surad-Miller - District 5, Esparto Regional Library— not present

Rebecca Fridae – City of Winters, Winters Community Library – WFOL November meeting and Annual meeting were a big success. The WFOL quiz show was a success. Rebecca proposes a LAB team for next year. The WFOL Holiday Festival was successful - all the wreaths were sold. The annual retreat was a success. Tree sale will be held first Saturday in March. This is a very successful fundraiser for WFOL and supports buying materials for YCL. The Family Reading Festival will be part of the Dia de los Ninos/Dia de los Libros celebration. Winters Library has three new pages. There will be a grandmother's story time coming up. A chess club is starting on Saturdays thanks to Roberto Degadillo, Librarian at UC Davis. We have 247 likes on our Yolo County Library FaceBook page. Winters library now has a Mother Goose On the Loose program in Spanish. A Mommy (or Daddy) & me group for parents of young children has started. There have been some concern that the facilities are not being cleaned regularly. Rebecca attended one of the Yolo branch community meetings. She was impressed by the community.

Susan Martimo – West Sacramento – Arthur F. Turner Community Library – I have been otherwise occupied.

Andrea Jones – District 3 – Woodland – not present

Holly Bishop – District 4 – Holly joined Patty in Clarksburg for Becky Frame's retirement party. Alzada Knickerbocker, Avid Reader, spoke at the Davis Friends of the Library Annual Meeting. Holly enjoyed the meeting. Holly attended the Board of Supervisors for the approval of the Library Strategic Plan and Community Report. Her support was appreciated.

Nora Brazil – District 2– Nora asked about library card holders. Elizabeth mentioned that YCL needs 4,000 new card holders. LAB members will ask friends, family and neighbors to get cards. At MME there are new DJUSD hires – Ximena Dias-Jackson (Tuesdays and every other Sat.) and Carmen Planda (every other Saturday). Both are bilingual and bi-cultural. We are very happy to have them. Andrea Cervantes has started the bilingual storytimes and includes a craft to the delight of the community. Dana, Circ Supervisor, and Nora meet once a month, first Tuesday, at MME to review operations. A therapy dog that used to do Tails for Tales is visiting classrooms at MME. New Harmony housing has opened across the street. There are 69 units but only 16 units are Section 8. About 5 students have enrolled in the past week. The management company is not receptive to school information for apartment residents. The school is ready to grow with two more teachers if needed. The school has about 400 students TK - 6.

Bill Campbell – District 1, West Sacramento and Clarksburg – On Dec. 15, Bill attended the retirement party for Becky Frame. Bill also attended the Clarksburg FOL annual meeting and met Margaret Pelrine Kaplan, the substitute librarian for Clarksburg. Bill met with Diane Tobias of Davis FOL to learn about the Square – a way to use credit cards for booksales. Bill has ordered it for West Sac FOL. There is no charge but there is a 2.7% surcharge on each card swiped. WSFOL raised prices on books slightly – for example, \$3 for a bag of books on Sunday. March 16&17 is the WSFOL book sale. Bill emailed all the Friends leaders to let them know he will be the Friends Liaison. Bill is looking forward to the next Friends of the Library Leaders meeting.

Sharon Hallberg – City of Davis – Sharon attended one of the Yolo branch community meetings. She was impressed by the community's commitment to the library. Sharon attended the Spanish Book Fair. Sharon pointed out the Women's History Day celebration. The Davis FOL book sale was busy. With less books, they made about the same amount of money - approximately \$7,000. There were about 80 boxes of books left over that were donated to the SPCA. Davis FOL website can now accept members and member payment on-line.

Calendar:

Next Meeting: April 10, 2013 at 7 pm at Turner Community Branch, West Sacramento. Carpool and dinner were proposed by members. The Eatery in the SouthPark shopping center is a suggestion.