YOLO COUNTY LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

226 Buckeye Street, Woodland CA 95695
Meeting Location: Turner Community Library, West Sacramento
Wednesday, April 8, 2015
7:30 pm

Call to order: 7:30 pm

Present: Susan Martimo, Chair; Bill Campbell, Vice-Chair; Holly Bishop; Diane Adams; Sharon Hallberg; Patty Wong, County Librarian; Elizabeth Gray, Assistant County Librarian

Introductions/WELCOME: LAB members, Supervisor Villegas, Marianne Estes, Deputy to Supervisor Villegas, YCL Staff: Shuqin Jiao, Maria Arcorace, Dana Christy

PUBLIC COMMENT: none

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 11, 2015 Diane, Sharon Motion Approved

LAB DEVELOPMENT (Standing Item)

- Discussion of Proposed Library Advisory Board Goals for 2015. As of last meeting, have approved Actions 4 and 5. Discussion of goals. Possible retreat for LAB this summer (July) to create action plan for Goals.
- All Friends Reception committee appointment: Rie and Rebecca absent. Susan will contact them and work on this with them.
- Calendar update and discussion: no additions

OLD BUSINESS

1. Little Free Libraries - 13 or 14 set up throughout Yolo County. Plans are in the works for one in WS that will go up by Linden Park on Linden Road. Yolo County Housing (Lisa Baker) would like one at Riverbend Manor and one at another housing center. Elizabeth will get Spanish language children’s books to WFoL for their LFL at the Migrant Center.
2. South Davis Ad Hoc Committee – Holly provided dates for a meeting to Supervisor Provenza and is waiting to hear from his Deputy, Gina Daleiden. An email was sent out last week to update the committee on the progress on getting the report to the Board of Supervisors.

NEW BUSINESS

1. LAB committee reports - Hospitality Committee – Rebecca and Rie – no report. Finance Committee, Holly and Susan – Holly will set up a meeting. Patty sends the committee updates. Legislation Committee – Sharon and Diane – meeting with Bill Dodd was cancelled. The CLA Legislative Committee has recommended additional funding to augment the Governor’s
authorized budget in the areas of literacy, administration of the CENIC program and more. The library systems that receive these dollars serve the under-served (i.e. poor areas that don’t have a lot). Would like to approach the BoS to suggest they send a letter saying why this is important to Yolo County. Provided a draft of a letter. Oscar says go ahead – put as much detail in the letter as you can. Patty will submit to Alex to present to the Board. More letters means more support – have people send letters to the BoS. Sharon – Motion that the Chair draft a letter for the Board of Supervisors in support of the CLA Legislative request for support from the State. Seconded by Holly. Motion passed. Susan will draft a letter and send to Patty and Diane and Sharon for review. Day in the District coming up. Things to be concerned about: funding for ESEA Act Senate Bill 312 and potential reduction of support for Institute for Museum and Library Services, the federal department that supports libraries.

COUNTY LIBRARIAN’S REPORT

Welcome to Supervisor Villegas and Marianne Estes.

Budget – details in the County Librarian Report. Restoration of half-time permanent employee in Archives is necessary if we are planning on moving to the historic Courthouse and implementing a digitally focused business plan to build revenues and increase community driven services. 211 Yolo will move to Health and Human Services. First 5 funding is not available after June 30, at a loss of about $55,000 annually. Winters Joint Unified School District hired a 15 hr/week Library Tech and has continued the student intern program. These efforts, along with monetary support from Winters Friends of the Library help keep the library open.

Strategic Plan – One Stop Job Center in Davis is up and running. An opening celebration will be held on May 6 from 6 – 8 pm at Stephens-Davis branch library. Review of County Strategic Plan.

Facility Study and Capital Improvements - Tour of the old Courthouse planned for July 3 to consider County Records Center and Archives. Yolo branch re-building discussion

Broadband effort- CENIC agreement will bring 1 gigabyte connections to Yolo, Knights Landing and Esparto branch libraries

HR update- Vicki Klein, Circulation Supervisor, celebrates 20 years with Yolo County. Chris Crist, Business Manager, celebrates 35 years with Yolo County. Library Regional Manager finalist presentations will take place on May 4 from 9 – 11 am, in the Blanchard room at Davis branch library; all community partners and staff and LAB members are invited. New position – Administrative Services Analyst – interviews will begin in May.

Announcements – First Annual Literacy Symposium on April 29 at YCOE Conference Center. Wendy Hopkins is a new staff at State Library as the Library Development Services Bureau Chief.

REPORTS from MEMBERS:

Diane Adams – District 3, Woodland area – Woodland Public Library Board is meeting twice a month. They are working on creating a new space of 2,000 feet in the library. Discussion of other issues in managing dollars donated to the library. New children’s librarian has been hired. New teen advisory board had over 100 kids apply. Diane will attend the ALA meeting in June in San Francisco.
Holly Bishop – District 4, Stephens Davis Branch, Davis –  Davis Book Sale - $9341.70. Big Day of Giving committee has a poster and handouts and stickers for publicity.

Desmond Jolly – District 2 - Stephens Davis Branch, Montgomery Elementary, Davis –

Susan Martimo – West Sacramento, Arthur F. Turner Community Library –  Attended California Public Library Advocates meeting last month. Discussion ensued. Phyllis Runyan, previously a long-time member of West Sacramento Friends of the Library, passed away recently.

Rebecca Fridae – City of Winters, Winters Community Library – not present.

Sharon Hallberg – City of Davis, Stephens Davis Branch –  Cache Creek Continuation High School and Yolo Friends Easter celebration. High School kids provided community service by providing games. Every child got a free, new book. More than 85 children and 20 adults participated; the event was very appreciated by the families. Yolo Friends Board meeting – the group is very active and enthusiastic about working within the community to develop support for the library.

Bill Campbell – District 1, Clarksburg Library and Turner Community Library – Clarksburg Little Free Library has been installed. In AFT, the gate count is 17,000 – 18,000 per month. The Friends book alcove makes around $800/month so lots of people are coming to the library and getting books.

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

Board of Supervisor Comments – Supervisor Villegas commented on how much is going on and he is very proud of the Library services. The Library Advisory Board expressed their appreciation for his attention and attendance.

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING: June 10, 7 pm, Knights Landing branch library

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm