Yolo County Library Advisory Board Meeting (In-Person)
Wednesday, December 6, 2023 at 6:00 pm
Meeting Location: Shipley Walters Center for Yolo County Library Services
226 Buckeye Street; Woodland, CA 95695

DRAFT Minutes

Call to Order 6:15pm

Library Advisory Board Roll Call and Introductions
- District 1: Aria Berliner, Member
- District 2: Anthony Wright, Member
- District 3: Diane Adams, Member
- District 4: Holly Bishop, Vice Chair
- City of Davis: Sharon Hallberg, Chair
- City of West Sacramento: Kristin Peacock, Member
- City of Winters: Jeff TenPas, Member
- Diana Lopez, County Librarian and Chief Archivist
- Dana Christy, Assistant County Librarian
- Jillian Hinchliffe, Collection Development Librarian

Absent: District 5: Esther Vasquez

Welcome:
Diana Lopez, County Librarian

1. Public Comment:
None

2. ACTION ITEM: Review and vote to approve the minutes from October 11, 2023.

3. Staff Presentation: Jillian Hinchliffe, Collection Development Librarian, presented the revised Collection Development and Request for Reconsideration Policies. Motion to support the changes to the Collection Development Policy and Request for Reconsideration of Library Materials with the recommendation that item #4 in the
Reconsideration Request be made clearer and that for item #6 the time before an item can be reconsidered be increased to three years.

Holly Bishop moved. Anthony Wright seconded. Motion passed.

4. County Librarian’s Report
   a) Facilities
      1) South Davis Branch Library (Walnut Park Library) Updates
         - Report out on public information session on November 15, 2023. 143 attendees and 10 kids in the activity room with staff. The presentation slides and architect animation are on the Yolo County Library website. There were some concerns expressed about the loss of soccer fields. We continue to work with the City and the architects to adjust the property boundaries to optimize the space.
      2) Children’s Picture Books organized in “neighborhoods” by content, for example Things that Move that will have books featuring trucks, tractors, etc. The project has been implemented in the Davis branch and will be rolled out at other branches.
      3) Davis Maker Space –
      4) Yolo AV will be installed December 18.
   b) Staffing
      1) Recruitments are in process for the following positions:
         - Winters/Esparto branches - Library Assistant
         - West Sacramento - Library Assistant
         - Library Regional Manager, East Yolo
         - Extra Help for Archives, Digital Resources, and ESL classes
   c) Program updates
      1) Story Trail ribbon cutting event at Capay Open Space Park. Yolo County Library and Yolo County General Services Department Parks Division invite the community to attend the unveiling of the new Story Trail installation. The festivities will take place at Capay Open Space Park, located at 15603 County Road 85 in Capay, on Saturday, December 16 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. A ribbon cutting ceremony is scheduled for 1:00 p.m.
      2) The library completed the distribution of the Student Success cards, nearly 11,000 cards were handed out. The 3 artists who submitted for the Student Success Library Card all got recognized by their Board of Trustees with DJUSD, Winters JUSD, and EUSD.
      3) Our Winters ESL class graduated just before Thanksgiving. We would like to say thank you everyone involved. Our certified ESL Instructor, Vera Trofimenko, had help from our branch liaison, Andrea Valadez, Extra-help Library Assistant. Andrea helped with any building-related needs and library card registrations. Marcos Rafael Verbera, Extra-help Library Assistant, and Magdalena Nackley, DaVinci High School Intern, provided one-on-one support for the students during class. Our ESL assistant, Abigail Mendez, called each student to encourage them and to help them
with any barriers they might be facing. She will be following up with each student to create an ongoing learning plan. We will hold another ESL course of ten two-hour classes in Spring 2024 at branch libraries in Knights Landing (in partnership with Woodland Adult School), Winters, Esparto, and South Davis (in partnership with the City of Davis and DJUSD).

4) Yolo County Infectious Disease Staff and the Mary L. Stephens Davis Branch Library staff were awarded the Yolo County Teamwork S.P.I.R.I.T. award for their collaboration on distributing COVID Antigen test kits. Staff were recognized at the December 5 Board of Supervisors meeting.

5) Yolo County Library and Yolo County General Services Parks Division, in partnership with the City of Davis, hosted an Owl Walk & Talk at Grasslands Regional Park in Davis. Over 250 people of all ages attended the event, including folks from as far afield as Orangevale. City of Davis Wildlife Resource Specialist, John T. McNerney, shared key facts about owls, including diet and habitat, answered questions, and provided tips for how to spot them. Children were provided with a scavenger hunt handout and a free pair of binoculars before the group proceeded on a short hike through the park, stopping along the way to observe signs of wildlife, including an occupied burrowing owl burrow, owl pellets, and bones. Participants then headed back to the site to dissect and examine barn owl pellets and create owl-themed crafts. Knowledgeable volunteers from the California Raptor Center were on hand with information and specimens for more hands-on learning. The event was made possible by grant funding from the State of California, administered by the California State Library.

5. Major grant opportunities
   a) CA State Library Summer Lunch program – smaller pending grant

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7. Yolo County Library Foundation Report
   Met last week to work on the end of year donation request. Still looking for additional board members. Plans to work with Stories on Stage scheduled for Saturday April 16, 2024.

8. Old Business
   None

9. New Business
   a. LAB Elections for Kristin Peacock to serve as Chair and Diane Adams as Vice Chair. Motioned by Anthony Wright. Seconded by Holly Bishop.
   b. Move February 14, 2024 meeting in Winters to February 21, 2024.

10. Library Advisory Board Member Reports
    a) Holly Bishop reported the Davis Friends of the Library book sales and Logos business continues to be successful.
    b) Anthony Wright thought the Walnut Park information session was successful, it was covered well by the Davis Enterprise, and the comments from people looking at the poster boards were positive. Alex also reported his son received a library card in the mail and was thankful for the library program that ensured DJUSD kids received cards.
    c) Jeff TenPas reported Winters held its Holiday Festival and Tractor Parade with approximately 10,000 attendees. The Friends of the Library Annual Meeting was in November.
    d) Sharon Hallberg reported that the Yolo Branch Library is hosting a program called “Wrap it Up” where community members can wrap gifts during the holiday season. The Yolo Library also hosted a raptor program in Dunnigan and will hold a Wild Things program this month as part of the California State Parks Grant. The revolving art exhibit in the
lobby this month features Cache Creek High School former art teacher Cindy Hawley Carlson. There will be a reception from 12:30 – 2:00pm on January 13, 2024.

e) Diane Adams attended the Intellectual Freedom event in November. She will share back what she learned at the Archives Friends meeting. She is meeting with Elizabeth Gray and Angel Barajas about ESL classes in the rural areas.

f) Kristin Peacock announced the West Sacramento Friends of the Library Annual Meeting will be held at the Turner Branch on Saturday December 9, 2024 at 12:30pm.

11. County and City Officials/Staff Reports and Comments
   None

12. ACTION ITEMS
   Adjourned at 8:23pm

Next (In-person) Meeting:
Wednesday, February 21, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at 708 Railroad Avenue, Winters, CA 95694

Items for next agenda:
Hosting a Library Advisory Board, Friends, and Foundation Forum