

YOLO COUNTY LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

226 Buckeye Street, Woodland, CA 95695

Meeting Location: Arthur F. Turner Community Library

Wednesday, February 9, 2011

7:30 P.M.

Present: Sharon Hallberg, Chair; Holly Bishop; Susan Martimo; Rebecca Fridae; Margaret Crawford; Rie Surad-Miller; Andrea Jones; and Nora Brazil. Also present was County Librarian Patty Wong, Elizabeth Gray, Assistant County Librarian; and Branch Manager Rachel Wolf.

Excused: Gina Daleiden (representing Jim Provenza).

WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS:

Introduction of Rachel Wolf, Arthur F. Turner Branch Manager

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The December 2010 minutes were approved as corrected.
Corrections to the Library Advisory Board Roster were noted.

REPORTS FROM MEMBERS

Winters Community Library– **Rebecca Fridae** reported that the library has had 62 class visits (a couple visits were from the elementary school; most of the classes were from the middle and high school). The computer laptops are great but more bandwidth is needed. The County and the City are working together on getting more bandwidth to the library. The Mommy & Me program for children 0-3 years old keeps growing and is proving very popular. The needlework group has been meeting for a year and would like to display their works. The R.I.S.E. homework help program has new bi-lingual volunteers. An ELAC program (for Spanish speaking parents of students) introducing parents to library resources was very successful thanks to Toni Mendieta. She participated in the orientation and showed the parents the resources available to them and their children at the public/school library. The Winters Friends of the Library book menders would like a typewriter. The Winters Friends of the Library annual retreat was very successful. The Fruit Tree sale will go on despite uncertain dates for tree delivery. The Youth Day theme will be Diamond Jubilee. Youth Day is the last Saturday in April at 10 am. Everyone is welcome to participate. The Black History event in Guinda is sure to be successful again this year. The historical fiction author Max Byrd spoke to over 40 people the library when he spoke about his book on Thomas Jefferson.

Arthur F. Turner Community Library – **Susan Martimo** reported on the successful Book Alcove sales and the success of the January Book Sale. The annual dinner, February 22, 2011, will feature author John Lescroart. At the event, Friends of West Sacramento Library will recognize long time members Margaret Crawford and Phyllis Runyon and present them with honorary board membership. The West Sacramento

Friends of the Library newsletter will be coming out soon and will include email notification!

Mary L. Stephens Davis Branch Library – Nora Brazil reported on the South Davis Montgomery branch. This location has seen less business since the re-opening of the Stephens-Davis branch on E. 14th street. Ways of advertising and reaching the community about the convenience and excellent services at this branch are needed. Nora is hoping to work with community and library staff to start a book club for adults at South Davis – Montgomery. Nora shared a report from Dianne Tobias, Treasurer, Friends of the Davis Public Library. The December Book Sale netted almost \$8,000. Alcove sales have been very successful. The first day the alcove was open, they received \$100. The menders reported that they have saved \$990,483, mending 76,191 items for the library since 1985. **Holly Bishop** mentioned ideas for additional advertising of MME service. She is also interested in making sure that we settle the extension of the Walnut Park property for library uses soon. **Sharon Hallberg** has been involved in the “Words Take Wings” event. The Friends of the Davis Public Library held their annual meeting. The guest speaker, Dani Thomas from YoloArts, explained the public art process. The artists who created the public art featured at the Stephens Davis branch library spoke briefly about their work and answered questions. This was a very popular program.

Esparto – Rie Surad-Miller – The Friends of Esparto Regional Library’s annual dinner was successful and new Board members were nominated. Betty Koepen is the new treasurer. The FERL book storage container will be moved closer to the library, per a negotiated MOU between the County and Esparto Unified School District. FERL is planning for the Book Sale at the Almond Festival later this month. Other library events include a Valentine’s craft and a program on February 17 featuring a famous calligrapher, Sumner Stone.

Woodland – Andrea Jones – Nothing of note to report.

OLD BUSINESS

Change of date for the **All Friends Meeting**. The date of May 14th was suggested but must be changed due to conflicts in the Davis meeting room schedule.

Assignments: Susan Martimo will create the invitation
Davis branch will provide tea & coffee
Food assignments were given to LAB members

Suggested Agenda for the All Friends Meeting, 10 am to Noon:

All FOL members are invited

Speaker: Don Saylor, Yolo County Board of Supervisors (Nora will contact)

Introduction by each FOL

Sharing: 1 success, 1 challenge or question

Each group may choose one person to honor. The honorees will receive a certificate.

LAB will recognize Terry Goddard, Yolo blacksmith, for his donation of a wifi transmitter to provide all of Yolo with internet service.

Moira Conlan from Archives will be included and may present on the Archives

Ask groups to bring printed materials (flyers, newsletters, etc.) to share
Fundraising ideas
How-to increase membership; How-to get people involved

NEW BUSINESS

1. County Budget -- the January 2011 Yolo County projection includes furlough for 2011.
2. New staff will be introduced to the Library Advisory Board including South Davis Montgomery staff, Dana Christy, Circulation Supervisor, Stephens-Davis branch; Moira Conlan, Archivist Coordinator; and new AF Turner Community Branch staff: Lana Harman, Children's Librarian and Debbie Windholz, Library Associate.
3. The donor wall for Davis is in the works. The small donor wall for Winters has been installed.
4. The library will go through a "Strategic Plan Check-in" later this year. This is a shorter process but will still involve input from our communities.
5. Yolo blacksmith, Terry Goddard, donated a wifi transmitter to cover the entire town of Yolo. The Library Advisory Board will recognize him as an honoree at the All Friends meeting.
6. Davis branch is working on a "Transforming Life after 50" grant to improve services to adults, ages 46-64. Librarian Joan Tuss is the lead on this grant. Library Advisory Board members suggested Area 4 Agency on Aging and SOBAC as resources for Joan.
7. No one is able to attend CALTAC this year.

COUNTY LIBRARIAN'S REPORT was submitted separately.

Sharon Hallberg moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Susan Martimo. The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: APRIL 13, 2011 at 7 p.m., at Montgomery Elementary, 1441 Danbury Street, Davis, CA 95618.

2011 meeting schedule:

June 15 at Clarksburg

August 10 at Knights Landing

October 12 at Esparto

December 14 at Central Services

Submitted by: Elizabeth Gray