

YOLO COUNTY LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

226 Buckeye Street, Woodland CA 95695

Meeting Location: Winters Community Library

Wednesday, Oct 16, 2013

7:00 pm

Call to order: 7:00 pm

Present: Holly Bishop, Chair; Bill Campbell; Nora Brazil; Rebecca Fridae; Patty Wong, County Librarian; Elizabeth Gray, Assistant County Librarian

Introductions/Welcome: Visitor – Sally Brown of Winters Friends of the Library. Meredith Sarmiento, Librarian, Yolo County Archives and Records Center. She comes from Cabrillos College in Santa Cruz where she worked in a variety of positions including their school archives. Graduate of San Jose State.

Approval of Minutes for Sept 4, 2013: Correction of buddies Andrew to Andrea. Add Nora to list of attendants. Nora needs Yolo Friends roster. Approved with corrections.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS and INTRODUCTIONS

LAB DEVELOPMENT (Standing Item)

1. Calendar: June 11 LAB meeting move to a different branch – switch with Esparto (Rebecca will not be here)
2. Position responsibilities/descriptions – Nora brought bullet points for her LAB position. LAB Hospitality: providing or arranging for snacks at LAB meetings; sending cards for life's momentous occasions: birth, death, retirement, etc.; organizing recognition events for Friends, dignitaries, guests, retirements, new employees, etc.
Other positions include: Chair; Friends Liaison; Legislative Liaison
3. Board Buddy system – Rebecca is Rie's buddy; Nora is Sharon's buddy; Bill is Holly and Susan's buddy; Sharon is Andrea's buddy – Nora will contact Andrea.

OLD BUSINESS

1. All Friends' Reception – Invitations have been sent out. Nora has received questions – is the event for the Friends presidents or for the Friend's Board? Nora replied that all Friends' board members are welcome. LAB members agreed that this was correct – more people is better than less. Nora will invite Senator Lois Wolk, Jim Provenza, Don Saylor (all the Supervisors), Mariko Yamada, Patrick Blacklock. Send Nora and Bill the Yolo Friends roster and roster of each of the Friends groups. Nora will resend the invitation and make it clear that it is to be shared with all the Friends.
Is the invitation open? To all Friends, yes, not just Board members.

What will the evening entail? Everyone can share things like Books for Babies; Little Free Libraries;

Nora suggested providing a certificate for each group. Ex: Certificate of Appreciation
Nora suggested we have a speaker. Discussion followed.

Draft agenda. Food from 5:30 – 6. Guest Speaker 6 pm. Certificates. Friends groups share out. Mingle.

LAB will meet there at 4:30.

LAB would like an RSVP to know how many to prepare for. Follow up through emails.
Rebecca will bring the plates, napkins, tablecloths, cups.

Holly will bring drinks.

Nora will bring flowers.

Each LAB member will bring one tray of savory finger food, ready to serve.

2. LAB retreat – To be held this Spring in the afternoon of a weekend day at Holly's house. The plan is to share ideas, get to know each other. Need to create an agenda. Possible agenda: 10 year plan. What will Yolo County look like in 10 years. Next meeting: Set date.
3. Little Free Libraries. No. CA Construction Training company out of WS will cover construction of these. The total cost per little free library will be \$40, installed. The books will be provided by Friends of the Library groups. The little free libraries will include brochures or other information about Yolo County Library. Holly proposed to pay for one for the New Harmony complex in South Davis. Each Little Free Library will have a caretaker. They will have only books not A/V.

COUNTY LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

1. Budget – The BoS has instructed departments that anything that will be funded by the general fund must be included in the County Tactical Plan. Update on some Tactical plan projects the library is involved in.
2. West Sacramento Security – Edmond Otis, a public library consultant, will work with AFT staff and community partners to continue to improve safety at AFT branch library. YCL is interviewing security companies to explore the possibility of having a security guard part-time at the library. West Sac police are not willing to monitor camera footage. There is some discussion of security cameras and signage – placement and how many. Discussion of a greeter program, community role in expecting positive behavior in the library.
3. Winters branch is still suffering from operating deficit. We hope that we will have more support from the City. We continue to work with the School District to have more support. Discussion of a letter to the editor or other ways for the Winters Friends to show support for the Winters Community Library. Rebecca could help facilitate a meeting with Winters School District IT lead.
4. Broadband – Montgomery Elementary may get a direct cable for the YCL computers to facilitate library services.
5. South Davis update – Next meeting: Dec. 9 at 5 pm at Montgomery Elementary Library, 1441 Danbury St., Davis. The charge of the South Davis Library Service Ad Hoc Committee is to examine service needs through the lens of the current community and stakeholders in Davis growth and development.
6. Yolo Friends – Mary Stephens is involved in fund raising. Sharon Hallberg is attending.

7. HR – open position in AFT; recruiting for Clarksburg branch supervisor non-MLS, Records Center library assistant, substitute librarian, and 211 Yolo intern. Policy Team is working with County HR to align operations and think about new ways to analyze or re-design how we hire/envision our future position needs. During the transition, Elizabeth will work part-time at the Davis branch.
8. Design Innovation Thinking – Rie and Sharon attended this workshop on Monday, October 14. YCL was one of three libraries in California to be part of this project. We invited ten youth from all over the county to participate. It was a diverse and engaged group. The focus was “how can libraries help youth turn their passion into action?”.
9. DESS – One-Stop Job Center pilot projects at Esparto and Davis library branches are written proposals. DESS hopes to bring not only job resources, but CalFresh, ACA, and others. This program will include additional laptops, additional bandwidth in Esparto, and additional extra-help staff at the Library Assistant level. We expect this to happen in early 2014.
10. 211 Yolo – has proposed to DESS to match parents with child care resources.
11. Request for Information on the use of the Courthouse will be issued by the County. Yolo County Archives would like to be considered.
12. Report on YC Archives by Meredith – focus is increasing access on-line through California Digital Archive. Finding aids and photos (with water marks) will be the first items to be put on-line. She is working on Family History outreach to increase understanding of how to use the County Archive. She is working on connecting with other historical organizations through events such as the Archives Crawl with the State Library and Family History day.

NEW BUSINESS

New ideas – Bookless (paperless) library opens in Texas. Shared by Holly from NPR report. In the next 10 or 15 years we may see this be more common.

Planning ahead - what areas will be developed and what services will they need? Ex: West Sacramento will be expanding south. Bill expressed concern that Southport is not aware of their library. Patty brought up Dunnigan and a shared services model. Some type of portable service is on the table for ongoing discussion. Which libraries that we have are going to need re-furbishing in the next 10 -15 years? Things to think about. If anyone hears about developments, let Patty know about it.

REPORTS FROM MEMBERS

Susan Martimo – West Sacramento, Arthur F. Turner Community Library – not present

Holly Bishop – District 4, Stephens Davis Branch, Davis – Attended the South Davis Ad Hoc Committee meeting. Holly did not attend the last Davis FOL meeting, and will be out of town for the next one.

Rebecca Fridae – City of Winters, Winters Community Library – WFOL is gearing up for our annual meeting on Nov. 4. We have a new slate of officers for the board of WFOL. WFOL invited Patty to present Library 101 to the group which was well received.

Bill Campbell – District 1, Clarksburg Library and Turner Community Library – The non-profit insurance is resolved for all the Friends. All Friends groups are holding their own insurance. Clarksburg FOL had their wine tasting and art auction fundraiser. WSFOL annual dinner is next Wednesday, October 23. Lynda Campbell will continue as President. Larry, the treasurer, will leave the position. Susan Martimo will be the new treasurer. A library specialist in Security issues will be coming to AFT to present to staff and partners.

Andrea Jones – District 3, Woodland – not present

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

Nora Brazil – District 2, Stephens Davis Branch, Montgomery Elementary, Davis -- Jay's last report to Nora for LAB. The Spot afterschool tween program is successful. The token system for popular baby programs such as MGOL is working well. This guarantees a quality program and resolves the issue of over-crowding. The anniversary celebration for MME satellite branch last Saturday was fun. On Nov. 2nd there will be a Dia de los Muertos celebration. A meeting was held of the South Davis Ad Hoc Committee; Nora attended.

Sharon Hallberg – City of Davis, Stephens Davis Branch – not present

CALENDAR – already done

LAB meeting schedule – 2014 -15 handed out to all members

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING: Friends Reception – November 19 at the DESS community room.

December 11, 2014, Central Services, 226 Buckeye St., Woodland HOLIDAY THEME

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.