

YOLO COUNTY LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

**226 Buckeye Street, Woodland CA 95695**

**Meeting Location: Davis**

**Wednesday, February 19, 2014**

**7:00 pm**

**Call to order:** 7:00 pm

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

**Introductions/Welcome:** No visitors were present.

**Approval of Minutes for December, 2013:** Approved.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS and INTRODUCTIONS**

**Holly Bishop – District 4, Stephens Davis Branch, Davis** – Attended the South Davis Ad Hoc Jan 13, and assisted in designing a South Davis Library Survey. Attended the Jan 16 Davis FOL budget meeting. On Jan. 23, Holly met with Patty and Elizabeth and created a new flyer about South Davis Montgomery Satellite branch services. Holly went to New Harmony, property owner (Tashonda Candy), and found that she would like two Little Free Libraries – one for each of her properties. Holly attended The Davis FOL annual meeting and liked the speaker, Don Peri. Holly attended Yolo Community Dinner on Jan. 28. She spoke to Supervisor Rexroad who informed her that Andrea Jones does not wish to be re-appointed to the Library Advisory Board.

**Susan Martimo – West Sacramento, Arthur F. Turner Community Library** – Susan passed around the West Sacramento FOL (WSFOL) newsletter. The newsletter shows the amount of support WSFOL is providing the library. The latest ALA Friends publication talked about re-branding and merchandising of an Alabama library. They jazzed up the image and made people more aware of what's happening.

**Rebecca Fridae – City of Winters, Winters Community Library** – A “Play & Learn” Parent-Child Workshop is happening in March at the Winters Community Library, part of the Libraries’ First 5 Yolo collaboration. The Blind Date with a Book program in February was successful and fun. A retired teacher from Winters has started a story time on Tuesdays. RISE is doing the “Play School Experience” at the library (also part of the First 5 Yolo collaboration). The Tuesday evening needlework group is still going strong. Winters Community Library is preparing for two big system-wide events: “Dia de los ninos/Dia de los libros” and the Summer Reading Program – “Fizz, Boom, Read!”. Staff and public are looking forward to having the furniture steam cleaned. The Poetry Slam on April 14 will be at the Opera House because it outgrew the community room at the library. High School juniors and seniors are doing their research reports and are using the YCL Collection. Winters FOL (WFOL) put a display up about the

Friends and the Fruit Tree sale. The Quiz Show was very successful and raised over \$1,000 for WFOL. April 10, 11 there will be a puppet show in Winters by Tears of Joy Theatre. They may be available to do their show in other places in Yolo County. Information about the puppet show was shared with LAB members.

**Sharon Hallberg – City of Davis, Stephens Davis Branch** – Sharon brought an article in Enterprise about Little Free Libraries. Other publicity includes a Words Take Wing write up in Enterprise that showed the success of the program. Sharon is working with Yolo Friends group and making progress – there will be a grant writing meeting tomorrow. The Yolo Friends’ first big event will be a fund raiser in collaboration with Cache Creek High School around Easter time. Sharon attended a follow up on Strengths training at the YCL Staff Day. The training provided interesting information about how to better work together. Patty and Sharon will be going to visit Assemblymember Mariko Yamada as part of Day in the District. Sharon shared with LAB the Asian Pacific American Library Association’s interview with Patty regarding leadership. This Saturday in Winters, CSLA is having a workshop coordinated by Liz Coman, Winters HS Librarian.

**Nora Brazil – District 2, Stephens Davis Branch, Montgomery Elementary, Davis** – Peggy Rollins, YCL Youth Services Librarian, is retiring in March. Her party is March 10 from 11 -1 pm at the Blanchard room. Peggy emphasized the great work the Ready for Kindergarten specialist, Andrea Cervantes, is doing for YCL. They will host a Head Start story time – a pizza story time – at Davis branch. The new director of the Family Resource Center at Montgomery Elementary is on board. The South Davis Ad Hoc Committee is coming up next week. Dana and Nora have discussed how to continue great programs and services at South Davis Montgomery satellite branch after Peggy retires.

**Bill Campbell – District 1, Clarksburg Library and Turner Community Library** – Clarksburg is remodeling the meeting room, kitchen, bathrooms for ADA compliance. The Clarksburg Friends of the Library president is going to hold the next meeting at her business, “The Boutique Consignment”. They will nominate and vote for a number of positions. The Little Free Library: Bill is working with Julie Goldman in West Sacramento and to coordinate Little Free Library promotion through Yolo County. Supervisor McGowan accepted another position with CA DMV but he gave a generous donation to West Sacramento FOL before leaving office. Oscar Villegas has been appointed the new Supervisor for the District. Cindy Tuttle audited the WSFOL books for the outgoing treasurer and handed over the books to the new treasurer, Susan Martimo. WSFOL had a successful book sale on Feb 8 & 9.

**Rie Surad-Miller – District 5, Esparto Regional Library** -- No report. Rie is planning to attend the Almond Festival this weekend in Esparto and the Book Sale at the Esparto Regional Library.

#### **LAB DEVELOPMENT** (Standing Item)

1. Calendar: Reviewed. ADD: April 11 – Yolo Carnival Benefit 4-7 – Sharon attends – date may change; Puppet Show April 10 – 11 at 6 pm.
2. Position responsibilities/descriptions – Susan – Publicity. Reviewed a possible brochure. Susan will revise a bit and will add the Archives. Patty suggests adding the BoS liaison to the LAB.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. LAB retreat – April 27 11 am – 3 pm at Holly’s house. This will be a potluck so everybody please bring food.
2. Little Free Libraries - So far we have 10 on order. We need to decide on a color scheme. Suggested: Green with white trim. The paperwork should be returned to Patty.
3. South Davis: done See Holly’s report above

### **COUNTY LIBRARIAN’S REPORT**

1. Budget – Proposals to DESS are being delayed because the County is creating a Health & Human Services department that includes DESS, ADMH and Health. We did submit a similar proposal to the County for Pomona Funds. We also included 2 other proposals: one for a computer upgrade for computers and one for laptop computers.
2. Two San Jose students are helping write grants – one with Yolo Friends and one with Yolo Reads.
3. Winters – we will be meeting with the WJUSD superintendent and the City Manager to review the MOU.
4. We are working collaboratively with the City and the School District to bring a low-cost computer fair to Winters.
5. The CA State Library gave YCL a grant – Zipbooks - of \$7,000 for purchasing, rather than borrowing InterLibrary Loan materials to ensure speed of material delivery to rural libraries.
6. Broadband continues to be a big issue. We are proceeding with the Broadband plan. Around 500 surveys have been completed. Thank you to everyone who completed the survey.
7. We are working with the Friends of the Esparto Regional Library to increase on-line access for the library and the community.
8. The highlight of ALA is the Youth Media Awards. Patty shared the press release.
9. Friends of Clarksburg are changing their by-laws.
10. The Friends of the County Archives are having a change in leadership. Tom Crisp will be leading the group.
11. HR – Sub Librarian interviews and Records Center Library Assistant interviews will be held soon. A recruitment for Librarian will be open soon. Margaret Kaplan has been hired to be branch supervisor for Clarksburg branch. 2-1-1 Yolo is looking for interns and volunteers.
12. Thank you to Peggy Rollins for her work with YCL and best wishes on a happy retirement.
13. 2-1-1 Yolo calls have increased. Patty shared statistics on these calls’ characteristics.
14. Design Thinking work, based on an innovative program development model out of Stanford, is going well. A number of staff including Sue Billing, Sara Ferguson, Crista Cannariato, Chris Crist, and Gail Stovall have been involved and will be presenting a panel on the program at CLA 2014.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**LAB appointments:** Holly, Rie have been re-appointed. Please let Patty or Holly or Matt Rexroad know of any potential representative from Woodland.

**Election of Vice Chair:** Holly nominated Bill. Susan seconded. Bill is now Vice Chair.

**Legislative Update:** Sharon reported on plans for the Day in the District to raise visibility of libraries in the legislature. CLA produced a handout about the importance of this day. CSLA also has a letter that shows the research supporting the benefits of a library in schools. CA Senator Wolk’s bill (SCA-7) that

proposes a 55% election to support libraries is unlikely to move forward on its own with competing 55% legislation. The CENIC bill that will put money toward broadband infrastructure is an important one to follow. It has traditionally been involved with only educational institutions but the new proposal will include public libraries. It calls for 2.25 million dollars for public library branches to access a high-speed internet access. One million would be available for circuits and switches upgrades. Currently CENIC does not propose any direct connections that would benefit Yolo County. Federal Legislative Day in D.C. will be on May 5 & 6. Patty will attend and has been invited to ALA Summit on Future of Libraries preceding Leg Day.

Review of articles that Patty handed out last week. Holly requests that we read them before the LAB retreat.

CALENDAR – already done LAB meeting schedule – 2014 -15

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING: April 9 - West Sac. Meet for dinner at Pooja Restaurant at 5:30 for dinner.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.