

Minutes of the
SOLANO COUNTY LIBRARY ADVISORY COUNCIL
Monday, May 16, 2016

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Chair Overholt at 6:30 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM:**

Members Present: Diane Barney, Bruce DuClair, Ron Heinrich, Teena Miller, Kurt Overholt, Dotty Schenk, Lynne Vaughan

Members Absent: Neil Hall

Others Present: Bonnie Katz, Director of Library Services, Cathy Perez, Office Assistant

3. **INTRODUCTIONS:** Ms. Katherine Clark-Silveria, resident of Vallejo and Ms. Josette Lacey, Aide to Supervisor Erin Hannigan District 1. All Council members introduced themselves to Ms. Clark-Silveria. Ms. Clark-Silveria was asked by Supervisor Erin Hannigan to attend the meeting with the possibility to represent the District 1 on the Solano County Library Advisory Council.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES AS MAILED FOR MEETING OF January 25, 2016:** Mr. DuClair moved to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2016 meeting; seconded by Ms. Barney. Motion carried. So ordered by 7-0 vote.

5. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Mr. Heinrich moved to approve the May 16, 2016 agenda; Ms. Barney seconded. Motion carried. So ordered by 7-0 vote.

6. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

8. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Ms. Katz reported on March and May 2016 Librarian's reports.

Ms. Katz distributed the new spring Check It Out newsletter.

Ms. Katz reported on a new pilot program, Stay & Play at the Fairfield Cordelia Library. The center is a partnership between Solano County Library and First Five Solano. It's designed as a space for families to explore, imagine and have fun together. This center will include an AWE station (Early Learning Station as mentioned in the Spring 2016 newsletter) An invitation was sent to all Council members to attend the ribbon cutting ceremony on Wednesday, May 18, 2016 at 9:30 a.m.

The Library wants to hire a consultant to help with a 3-year Strategic Plan for the Library. This request will go to the Board of Supervisors on June 7th. The strategic planning process will begin in July and/or August.

Ms. Katz reported on a new service for interlibrary loan called Link+. This service is similar to SuperSearch that is no longer offered. Link+ will be a 5-year contract that is shared with the partnering libraries. The consortium has applied for this service and is now on a waiting list to implement. It takes approximately 4 months.

Ms. Katz reported on the SNAP Consortium. Napa County left the consortium on March 31, 2016. Solano Community College and Napa Valley College will exit June 30, 2016. The remaining libraries are Solano County, Benicia, Dixon and St. Helena. The new name is SPLASH-Solano Partner Libraries and St. Helena. New collateral and consortium logo are in development.

SPLASH is in negotiations with TLC which is the current library system vendor. A new contract will begin on July 1, 2016. The new contract will feature CARL Connect which will allow library staff to take a laptop and/or tablet remotely and sign up individuals for library cards.

CENIC project is complete. This allowed high speed broadband to public libraries throughout California. This included 7 of the 8 Solano County libraries (Rio Vista was not able to be part of this project) and Benicia.

Career Online High School update-currently there are six students enrolled in Vallejo. Supervisor Hannigan funded two additional student slots with funds from her discretionary monies and the Friends of the Vallejo libraries will fund two additional slots. Since these are matching grants from the State Library, Vallejo will add eight more students to the program. The Fairfield Friends have funded three students so there will be a total of six students for Fairfield. With the current six students enrolled, and the additional fourteen slots, there will be a total of twenty students that will be able to obtain a high school diploma.

The Library will implement an Automatic Materials Handling System in FY16/17 at all libraries except Rio Vista and Springstowne. The Library is in the process of hiring a consultant for this project. Ms. Katz explained when a book, CD or other item is returned to the library, it drops onto an automated conveyor system that carries materials to a sorting bin. The item is automatically checked back into the library. Once the item is checked in, a machine orients it for its next destination.

9. OLD BUSINESS: None

10. NEW BUSINESS:

Proposed Budget FY2016-2017-the Council will discuss the proposed budget for next year and make take action.

Mr. DuClair moved to approve the proposed budget for FY 2016-2017; Ms. Miller seconded. Motion carried. So ordered by a 7-0 vote.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS/MEMBER REPORTS:

- a. Ms. Miller asked when the sales tax measure will expire; the sales tax measure will expire in 2030.
- b. Ms. Barney reported NorthBay Healthcare is partnering with Solano County Library for the Adult Summer Reading Challenge. Librarians, Kevin Tolley and Shawn Kelley attended the NorthBay Book Drives to promote the Adult Summer Reading Challenge. Ms. Katz reported Benicia and Dixon libraries are participating too. The goal is to read 100,000 books-one for every family in Solano County. The Summer Reading Challenge begins June 1st and runs until August 31st.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: July 18, 2016

14. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.



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Director of Library Services