

Library Advisory Board  
Minutes  
Apr. 10, 2014, 4:30-5:30 p.m.  
Modesto Library Conference Room  
1500 I Street, Modesto, CA 95354

Present: Sheridan Beuving, Joan Ahlstrand, Dede Baker, Sue Henderson, Katie Wells, Joshua Vander Veen, Amy Taylor, Susan Lilly, Pat Portwood

- I. The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Sheridan Beuving, Chair
- II. Approval of Minutes for Jan. 9, 2014 – Sue Henderson moved. Joan Ahlstrand Seconded. Unanimous Approval.
- III. Public Comment – Pat Portwood, president of the Stanislaus Library Foundation reported on the foundation’s activities, including:
  - Foundation is currently raising funds through special events, annual mail campaign, and business partners program.
  - Goals include building the foundation board and increasing fundraising, particularly through the business partners. Donors are recognized through art tiles and will be recognized at the Party at the Library being planned for August 22.
  - “Runway for Reading” Fashion Show, held March 30, was a success, involving people countywide as both models and guests.
  - Daniel Handler (A.K.A. Lemony Snicket) will speak at the Gallo Center for the Arts as a fundraising event for the Foundation and Gallo Center on Sunday, November 16. 2014.

IV. Old Business

A. Stanislaus Reads, Writes: Community Novel

Susan Lilly reported that the community novel is underway and online publication will begin April 15, with a new chapter being released each week. An audio version will also be published online each week. A Lemony Bake Off is being planned with the Stanislaus County Fair and will be used to promote the November Daniel Handler appearance. Hard copies of the community novel will be available for purchase at that time.

V. New Business

A. County Librarian’s Report – Interim County Librarian Amy Taylor reported:

Materials are being shifted in the Modesto Library to make space for a quiet room planned for the former magazine desk area.

In & Out Burger's "Cover to Cover" program continues through April 12. Children can receive a free hamburger after reading five books at their reading level.

This year's Summer Reading Program is "Fizz Boom READ" ("Literary Elements" for adults) featuring a science theme. Summer Reading runs May 24 through August 2.

- B. Quarterly Statistics – Amy Taylor distributed quarterly statistics, noting that program and Story Time attendance has increased, as well as computer use and eBook circulation.
- C. Expiring Terms of Board Members – Amy Taylor asked that those board members who are approaching the end of their terms, submit a letter stating whether or not they would like to continue on the board.
- D. Tour of Outreach and Home Delivery Services (15 min.)

The board toured the Outreach and Home Delivery Services area. Coordinator Laura Ferrell explained the process of recruiting and matching volunteers with homebound residents, as well as the monthly delivery and pick-up of books and materials. She noted that currently 26 volunteers deliver materials to 102 residents at facilities and 31 people in individual homes.

VI. Correspondence – none

VII. Announcements – Sue Henderson announced the Friends of the Patterson Library book sale would take place April 15, 16, 17 and 21.

VIII. Next meeting date is July 10, 2014 (4:30-5:30 p.m.)

IX. Adjournment – Chairman Sheridan Beuving adjourned the meeting at 5:25 p.m.