



Southern California Library Cooperative
Executive Council Meeting
March 25, 2021
9:00am-10:00am

Minutes

Attendance

Conwell, Christine – Moorpark
Cousin, Heather – Thousand Oaks
Perera, Michelle – Pasadena
Shupe, Robert – Palmdale
Stone, Janet – Glendora
Walker-Lanz, Jesse - LACo

Other

Bednarski, Diane – SCLC
Dinuzzo, Carol – SCLC
Graver, Lori – SCLC
Walker, Wayne - SCLC

Absent

Crosby, Patricia – Camarillo
Hughes, Charles – Signal Hill

1. Opening Robert Shupe
Meeting called to order at 9:03am.

2. Public Forum
Opportunity for any guest or member of the public to address the Committee on any item of SCLC business.
None.

3. Consent Calendar Robert Shupe
All items on the consent calendar may be approved by a single motion. Any Committee member may request an item be removed from the consent calendar and placed on the agenda for discussion.
 - a. Minutes of the January 28, 2021 Executive Committee meeting.
MSP (Stone/Walker-Lanz) to approve minutes, with spelling correction to Stone's name in item 4.

4. Adoption of Agenda Robert Shupe
MSP (Stone/Perera) to approve agenda, with addition of item 10, Executive Director Evaluation Task Force Report, presented by Shupe.

5. Budget Status Report FY20/21 Carol Dinuzzo
Expenditures currently fall within the projected cost for the fiscal year, apart from legal fees. An additional line to reflect the Surplus (Deficit) has been added to reflect the overall balance excluding the grant passthrough funds. Plan to work with the Audit and Finance Committee to make the budget status report clearer and more comprehensive. Hope to implement the new layout of the budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

6. SCLC Shared eResource Planning Diane Bednarski
Sought a revised quote for PressReader through Baker and Taylor. Cost for a two-year commitment is less than the original quote provided directly by PressReader but would still exceed available CLSA funds by approximately \$65,000. To bridge the gap, discussed using reserves, and approaching the state library to apply American Rescue funds. Noted that eBooks purchases are much easier to adjust to available funds. Discussion of shared platform for lending eBooks, implementing an SCLC digital library card, both to comply with CLSA definition of three linked systems to qualify for shared resource funding. Bednarski to write a summary of options and quotes, put out a system survey, results of which will be for consideration at the May 2021 meeting.

7. Membership Dues FY21/22 Carol Dinuzzo
Pomona membership dues will be reinstated for FY21/22. An updated membership dues sheet will be sent to members.

8. Digilab Diane Bednarski
Discussed what end of life cycle might look like for Digilab. Asked members to consider derived benefits, and if this is a service that SCLC should continue to offer.

9. Staff Training Heather Cousin
Suggestion to send out survey, to focus training on reopening questions and concerns of staff. Anticipating additional sense of loss for those patrons who will not return, suggest trauma informed response training. Homelesslibrary.com is a recommended recourse.

10. Executive Director Evaluation Task Force Report Robert Shupe
Task force assembling and synthesizing data from surveys sent to Chair and Vice Chair of contracted cooperatives, SCLC staff and the Executive Director self-evaluation.

11. Adjournment Robert Shupe
Meeting adjourned at 10:05am.

Respectfully submitted by Lori Graver on June 3, 2021.

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