

**Meeting Minutes**  
***SERRA YOUTH SERVICES COMMITTEE***  
**MONDAY, May 8, 2023, 11:00am – 12:30pm**  
**Virtual Zoom Meeting**

**Meeting ID:**

<https://sandiego.zoomgov.com/j/1607700343?pwd=MDJESzFyeUZLdUtKV05Wa1lscjZMQT09>

Minutes Recorded by Alyson Hamlin

**All items may be considered for action.**

**Members Attending:**

Kat Carn, Chair	San Diego Public Library
Ashleigh Hvinden	Carlsbad City Library
Bill Sannwald	Carlsbad City Library
Alyson Hamlin	Chula Vista Public Library
Natalie Stringer	Coronado Public Library
Tara Davies	Coronado Public Library
Amy Kleman	Oceanside Public Library
Lisa Ferneau-Haynes	Oceanside Public Library
Jodi De La Pena	San Diego County Library
Stephanie Kern	San Diego County Library
Francesca de Vera	San Diego Public Library
Vanessa Gempis	San Diego County Library

**Action Items:** Kat reach out to Trauma-Informed Speaker and ask about cost for keynote  
Kat craft general letter for school board members and run it by Committee via email, then we can send it out to various school boards in our areas.

1. Call to Order/Member Introductions
  - a. Call to order 11:05 by Kat Carn
  - b. Meeting opened. MSP Hamlin/Hvinden.
2. Public Forum
  - a. No members of the public were present
3. Update and Adoption of the Agenda
  - a. Agenda Adopted. MSP Sannwald/Davies
4. Approval of March 2023 Minutes
  - a. March 2023 Minutes approved. MSP Hamlin/Stringer
5. Summer Reading Incentives/Museum Council Meeting
  - a. Kat Carn provided update on Museum Council Meeting
    - i. Meeting moved from 5/12 to 5/19/23
  - b. Kat asked for show of hands of how many systems would still be interested in additional museum passes even if they are approved later in this summer's

reading program (Oceanside, Chula Vista, and Carlsbad all said they'd be interested)

- c. Francesca shared screen and went over each museum pass
    - i. She emphasized need for branch stamp with address on it.
    - ii. Sizing for pass not an issue, just the color and branch stamp are important
    - iii. Instructed us not to change wording on the pass. Designators like "SDLibraryKids" there for a reason.
  - d. Summer Lunches discussed a bit:
    - i. Jodi mentioned that SDCL is using food pantries, non-congregate meals, and congregate meals, and she gave details of using Feeding San Diego as food pantry source
      - 1. Staff need food handler's certificate
      - 2. Feeding SD provides the fridges if needed
      - 3. Can adapt what kind of food is served according to branch needs and staff capacity. Can do frozen meat, but can be harder to give away – a lot more regulations on how to handle those items. El Cajon, for instance, asked for things that don't require stove or oven to make. Can have items like rice and beans that require cooking, just depends on your clientele.
    - ii. Oceanside, SDPL, and Chula Vista stated they are also serving summer lunches
6. SYSC Professional Development Workshop – October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- a. Brainstormed several ideas as a group:
    - i. Bill – Referenced Children's Services Summit at Carlsbad where they may explore ideas of challenges: Materials challenges, challenging situations (budget, etc.), challenging interactions between coworkers.
    - ii. Kat and Alyson – Potentially ask social worker/presenter of recent trauma-informed library services symposium to present as keynote.
    - iii. Alyson – possible speaker/breakout session: Trauma Resilience Institute (for information on staff self-care)
    - iv. Other ideas brought up: Libraries as third responders, burnout in the field, retention of staff, how to advocate for oneself, practical tips for self-care. Bill – conflict between staff members. Vanessa – being the staff "bystander", how to be an ally. HR? Union Rep?
      - 1. Possibility of getting panel of union reps from multiple systems and discussing how to advocate for ourselves
    - v. Amy – Idea of Panel of 4-5 people from the school board.
      - 1. Francesca – include Youth Advocacy Department if a school has it
      - 2. Jodi – include elected and non-elected school board members
      - 3. Tara – knows Coronado school board member
      - 4. Kat – knows a retired school librarian
      - 5. Jodi – can ask if Poway librarians have any contacts on board.

- b. Breakout sessions: Yes or no?
  - i. Decided yes
  - ii. Keynote at beginning, breakout sessions, then panel at end with school board members.

[Lisa and Amy had to leave at 12pm]

- iii. Other ideas: Banned Books, Challenges for Union Reps, Post-it Note Share, Craft Share, Teen/Children's Corner displays. Katie to discuss staff challenges.

- c. We decided that was enough for now, will touch base with email throughout summer and then revisit planning when we meet in August.

#### 7. Roundtable

- a. Jodi - SDCL finishing up Día de los Niños. Grant for \$83k for LATL, used for books for giveaway for all pop-up sites (13 locations). Working with SD parks and Rec – providing programming for LATL – \$20k with 13 or so programs.
- b. Vanessa – Teen area for SDPL – another teen writing contest. Ruta Sepetys coming to do talk about book “You”. Giveaways for that. Contest running for all SD County Teens (middle school category and high school category)
- c. Francesca: First year organizing SRP. Applied for Innovation grant (\$175k) Really good program, 2 pop up visits, 4 lunch sites. 60k for just marketing – let her know if you are doing LATL so she can add it to her website. STEAM in May coming to an end. June 17<sup>th</sup> Rainbow Revolution Pride kickoff.
- d. Natalie–Massive bulletin board working on decorating – turning into sensory wall for little ones to play with. SRP Crafts.
- e. Tara -- Annual children's tea party (Madeline-themed). Earth Day poster contest. 82 submissions for posters. Junior volunteers have been really dedicated – creating library intern positions for them
- f. Bill– wrapped up Carlsbad Reads together – kids book was *Bright Star*, Adult: *The Line Becomes a River*. Gearing up for SRP, partnerships with Parks to do 4 story walks. Rainbow Storytimes
- g. Ashleigh -- teen talent show. **Tracy Badua's** “This is not a personal **statement** “ July 29<sup>th</sup>. Performers this summer. Twinkle time being booked.
- h. Kat – Kidchella, Summer Lunch, performer every week,
- i. Alyson – Partnerships for LATL – FD, PD K9, FHCSO, Climate control, Pollination, vermicompost, Rosenbach Project, Living Coast Discover Center, looking for a magician.

#### 8. Wrap-up: Review Action Items

- a. Next meeting: Monday, August 7<sup>th</sup> at 11am

#### 9. Adjourn

- a. Meeting adjourned at 12:20. MSP Gempis/de Vera
- b.

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