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**Santiago Library System
Reference and Local History Committee
Meeting Notes
March 14, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Newport Beach Public Library
1000 Avocado Ave., Newport Beach, CA 92660**

1. Call to Order: 10:06 a.m.
2. Roll Call

Chair
Secretary

- Secretary: Rebecca Lightfoot, **Newport Beach Public Library**, rlightfoot@newportbeachca.gov
- Keisha Loidolt, **Orange Public Library**, kloidolt@cityoforange.org
- Chair: Jessica Young, **Yorba Linda Public Library**, jyoung@yorbalindaca.gov
- Erin Spivey, **Huntington Beach Public Library**, erin.spivey@surfcity-hb.org
- Kent Baecker, **Fullerton Public Library**, kent.baecker@cityoffullerton.com
- Patty Lopez, **Santa Ana Public Library**, plopez@santa-ana.org
- Ann Duarte, **Buena Park Public Library**, aduarte@buenaparklibrary.org

3. Adoption of Agenda
 Motion to adopt: Rebecca Lightfoot
 Seconded by: Keisha Loidolt
 All in favor? All yesses.
 Motion is carried.

4. No public present. No public comments.

New Business

5. **Summer Reading Program** Committee

Newport Beach, Rebecca Lightfoot

We are following the iRead theme of “Find Your Voice” this summer. Adults can register on Beanstack and are awarded a free book. Patrons use Beanstack to keep track of their reading and are entered into weekly prize drawings, followed by a grand prize drawing. Summer Reading runs from June 10 – July 29.

Orange, Keisha Loidolt
Summer Reading Club

- Our program occurs June 19-July 29 this year
- Program will follow the same format as previous few years:
 - Babies (age 0-2) have their own gamesheet

- Ages 2-Adult use the same gamesheet where they can choose their level of difficulty (number of books read vs. number of hours read). Gamesheet includes small milestone prizes, a book, and an entry into a grand prize drawing. Each age group gets a different type of grand prize opportunity appropriate for their age level.
- Program is entirely on paper. No virtual program.
- No theme, we use Canva graphics.
- Regular summer programming will continue this year, including Lunch at the Library at the El Modena Branch Library

YLPL, Jessica Young

Theme this year for all ages is: Reading is Magic.

Adult and teen summer reading:

- Monday, June 12 through Saturday, August 12
- Using ReadSquared. All online program.
- A competition prize of a \$1 gift certificate to the Friends of the Library Book Corner at 8 books, weekly prizes, and grand prize raffles.
- Photography Contest: This Card Rocks
 - Invite community members to take photos of their library card out in nature. Photographs will be used in a art display.
- Mission for adult and teens for a chance to earn more grand prize raffle tickets.

Huntington Beach, Erin Spivey

Theme: Summer at Your Library

Dates: Saturday, June 24 - Sunday, August 13, 2023 (approximately)

End of School for HBCSD & OVSD: Friday, June 23

Reading Challenge:

- Children and YA: 1,120 minutes (20 minutes/day; 8 weeks).
- Adults: 5 books for the summer.
- All tracking via Beanstack

Prizes:

- Registration prize – reusable totes for all levels
- Midsummer Prize:
 - Children and Teens: in progress
 - Adults: Summer themed bookmarks
- Adults: beach parking pass (raffle)
- Completion prize-FOTL book sale voucher
 - Adults & Teens \$3 value
 - Children \$1 value

Tech Updates:

- Planned creation of a Libguide for SRP
- Libguide will contain information pages for age groups, programs, branches, etc.

All Ages Programs to Run during SRP

1. Tiny Art Contest:

- a. Series of art programs will run through out July. Dates TBD
 - b. Contest:
 - i. Judging will be performed by HB Art Center.
 - ii. Culmination: Tiny Art Gala
2. Ice Cream Week
- a. Week of July 9-14
 - b. Each day of that week will feature a different craft, story time, or adult program at various locations.

Additional Programs

1. Branches and Central feature different programs for adults and children throughout the summer to coincide with SRP.
 - a. Specific programs TBD
 - b. Ideas include gardening, gaming, cooking, and various arts.

Fullerton Public Library, Kent Baecker

Summer reading

- Find your voice theme, June to August
- Party at the end of summer reading at
- Adult prize fotl credit

Santa Ana Public Library, Patty Lopez

- theme will be Find Your Voice. Some of the activities and programs will be thematically related to Find Your Voice. In Adult Services, the program will be level based so there will be 3 or 4 levels that patrons can complete and a prize will be given to them for each level they complete.
- We usually get about 300 adults registered and about 150 complete the program.
- At the end of the program in august, we do have a celebration for those that complete the program and all the levels.
- The divisions are interested in doing a kick off to promote summer programs to the community. This will likely take place the first week in June.

Buena Park Public Library, Ann Duarte

- SRP Kickoff is June 10. Our Children's Department will follow the iRead theme, Find Your Voice. Adult and Teen will do a general summer theme.

6. **Annual Project – Updated the 2015 version of the SLS Directory**

Committee

Please input all information into the Google Site and Google Sheets by Sunday, April 30. Group project will be presented to the SLS Director's Group in May.

When inputting information, if the category is not applicable or not available, please put N/A instead of leaving blank.

Newport Beach, Rebecca Lightfoot

- Current and upcoming Adult Programs include Sunday Musicales, Storytellers Memoir Writing Workshops, and Digital Saturday on April 22, 2023
- Good turnouts for two recent programs, including a Blockchain event that did surprisingly well
- Hiring a P/T Library Assistant, several Clerks and Pages, and a Library Services Manager
- Balboa branch library is 96 years old and slated to be torn down and rebuilt soon
- The City is currently in the bidding process for the Witte Hall

Orange, Keisha Loidolt

- Grants
 - Four projects are in full planning mode: State Parks Grant, Sustainability Grant, eBooks for All (Palace), Lunch at the Library
 - Biggest update is that our El Modena Branch Library will be getting a renovated outdoor patio/garden area by the end of this Spring if all goes as planned. Space will include a sensory garden, community garden, seating areas, and outdoor programming supplies.
 - A seed library was added to our Taft Branch, so now each library in our system has one.
- Upcoming Programs
 - Normal programs continue (book clubs, tech classes, Ukulele SOUP, etc.)
 - Programs centered around State Parks: basic hiking skills, bike repair, mushroom identification, etc.
 - Programs centered around sustainability: accessible gardening, backyard beekeeping, and much more. Take & Make Grow Kits will be given out all spring, as supplies last, for patrons to grow edible gardens at home.
 - Heritage Days at the Main Library on Saturday, April 8 from 1-4 p.m.
 - Program will include walking tours, genealogy workshops, documentary screening, and an artifact displays.
 - Día at the El Modena Branch on Saturday, April 29 from 1-5 p.m.
- Question: Has anyone been approached by the American Heart Association about receiving a blood pressure kit for library patrons?

YLPL, Jessica Young

- We continue with our regular monthly adult programs including Meditation Mondays and Ukulele Instruction.
- As part of the LSTA Parks Grant, we will be offering DIY Terrarium
- Art Techniques: Landscape Painting, and Wildlife in Chino Hills State Park.
- Patrons continue to participate and sign up for our 23 Books in 2023 reading program, which we have over 200 teen and adult participants.
- Large programs coming up include our Annual Tea, which is Sherlock Holmes themed.
- Read Locally: Local Author Festival at the end of April, and Star Wars Day in May.

- Yorba Linda Public Library is currently recruiting for a part time librarian assistant position.

Huntington Beach, Erin Spivey

- Book clubs are now offered at all branches.
- Waiting for budget talks to conclude regarding HVAC/AC at Main Street.
- Potential for our other branches to be included in other renovations projects in the future.
- AAPI month coming up and will have specific programs to go with it.
- Gardening continues to be a popular program.
- Our staff shuffling has concluded and there will be an upcoming librarian position opening in Tech Services.

Fullerton Public Library, Kent Baecker

- Board game day
- Renovation of the conference, hunt, and update social media.
- Two adult services
- Expansion of Libby graphics
- Immigration services

Santa Ana Public Library, Patty Lopez

Dia de Los Niños program

- This is an annual event that has been taking place for the last 15 years and attracts thousands of families.
- This year we are featuring several steam activities to addition to having author Eric Litwin here. He's the author of Pete the Cat.
- The event is going to be Saturday, April 29

Staffing

- We have hired two new librarians and they are in training right now.
- We currently still have a part time library associate position still open.

Question:

- I asked about other libraries who currently have book clubs. I was able to get lots of feedback about how other libraries are running their programs. The information was very helpful. SAPL is planning to develop some book clubs in the fall.

Buena Park Public Library, Ann Duarte

- Kanopy launched in December. We had a slow start, but our numbers are steadily improving.
- HVAC project closure that was scheduled for spring has been postponed. The project is now tentatively scheduled for August/September 2023
- State parks grant for Nature Backpack Kits will roll out at the end of April.
- We have joined the Palace Project and will discontinue Enki Library at the end of the subscription period.

- We received \$3,000 for Zip Books. The program will roll out in April.
- Currently have a Teen Librarian and Library Services Supervisor vacancy. Technology & Support Services Supervisor (Ann Duarte) will serve as interim LSS. We are looking at options on filling the Teen position.

8. Review of Action Items

- Next meeting is May 9, 2023, at the Yorba Linda Public Library.

Adjournment: 11:18 am.