

MARIN COUNTY FREE LIBRARY

Wednesday, February 10, 2016
 South Novato Library
 - - PROPOSED MINUTES - -

- (1) **CALL TO ORDER**
 Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m. The meeting began with a tour of the maker space for the Commission.
- (2) **ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTION OF NEW COMMISSIONERS**
Present
 Linda Ward Ann Laner Kaplan Margaret Kathrein
 Clifford Jacobs Barbara Schoen Joel Fugazzotto
 Sally Hauser Alison Howard Tyrone H. Cannon
 Nick Javaras
- Absent with Notification
 Loretta Farley Anya Schandler Arthur Whitman-Bradley
- Also Present
 Sara Jones, Director of County Library Services
 Scott Bauer, Deputy Director of County Library Services
 Edna Guadiana, Senior Secretary
 Janet Doerge, Branch Manager, South Novato Library
- (3) **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**
 M/S/C – Jacobs/Javaras agenda approved as submitted
- (4) **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**
 M/S/C – Cannon/Kaplan minutes approved as submitted.
- (5) **OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC EXPRESSION**
 Commissioner Jacobs reported that Novato Mayor Pat Eklund had mentioned how much she enjoyed the grand opening of the South Novato library.
- (6) **READING AND CORRESPONDENCE FILE –**
 Reading folder routed for everyone to read

(7) BUDGET REPORT for FY16/17 &17/18

Director Jones reported that this item would be tabled for this meeting and brought to next month's meeting for approval. This is being delayed, because the deadline to submit to CAO has changed from February 5 to February 26, this is the second time the County has asked for a biennial budget and the County is working on getting the new financial system up called Tyler Municipal (government accounting system) which will replace SAP on July1. Director Jones handed out the Library's narrative part of the County budget and discussed with the Commission.

(8) NEW BUSINESS

- a. Commission Annual Report 2016-18: The 2016/18 Library Commission Annual Report was distributed to everyone for reference. After a brief discussion, it was decided that Director Jones would work on the minor revisions, and bring back to next month's meeting for approval.
M/S/C Jacobs/ Fugazzotto – approve recommended modifications with revised document being brought back to next month's meeting for final approval.
- b. Discuss attendance at OBOM April 13, in lieu of meeting: After a brief discussion, Commissioner Jacobs motioned; Commissioner Cannon seconded and all commissioners voted unanimously that in lieu of April Commission meeting this group meets instead at the culminating celebration with Andy Weir and Michael Kranszen in conversation at Angelical Hall/Dominican University. There will be a wine and cheese reception @ 6pm in the Dominican Library.

(9) PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR JANUARY

President Schoen reported on the following:

- County Friends Booksale – The annual County Friends booksale was a success on 1/29-31 netting \$5,800; \$1,000 more than the previous year.
- South Novato Community Education Center Open House was a big success with around 750 to 1,000 people attending.
- OBOM Kickoff 2/2/16 – Was standing room only! Andy Weir is very entertaining.
- June 8, Annual meeting speaker will be John Macleod from new media learning. There will be a dinner at the McGinnis Club.

(10) DIRECTOR'S REPORT FOR JANUARY

Director Jones shared the following:

- the status of the Marin History Museum;
- Poet Laureate Prartho Sereno read a poem to the BOS on the first meeting in February. President Kinsey enjoyed the poem so much, that he requested a poem be read at the beginning of all Board of Supervisors meetings;
- Attended the ConnectED event in DC- no Presidential appearance but did get an official POTUS Cupcake, Hershey kisses, & pen!



Karen Maloney, Assistant Superintendent, Business and Operations, Novato Unified School District and Sara attended the one-day meeting which is part of President Obama's ConnectED Library Challenge, an initiative to get a library card in the hand of every school age child.

More than 90 leaders from 45 communities that have joined the ConnectED Library Challenge met at the Eisenhower Executive Office Building on January 19 to share experiences and identify action strategies to ensure that every public school student has access to the learning resources at their public libraries. Participants included mayors and county executives, school superintendents and library directors who joined President Obama's ConnectED Library Challenge in April 2015 by committing to working together to eliminate barriers to library card access for all students, like removing fines, which MCFL did last spring.

The leadership from the Obama Administration who attended included several people that delivered passionate support for public libraries and included, Megan Smith the United States Chief Technology Officer, educated at MIT and a former VP at Google. Her enthusiasm for library, public school and technology opportunities for kids was inspiring. Another highlight for me was R. David Edelman, Special Assistant to the President for Economic and Technology Policy, educated at Yale and Oxford- he said he talks about numbers in all his speeches and then said he'd give us one and then recited his public library card number from when he was in grade school.

(11) ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ✓ Director Jones announced that MARINet would be doing a passport project similar to MCFL's for the public; this one will include a stamp for the Book Place to encourage the public to visit.
- ✓ The next meeting of the Measure A committee will be at 6pm, followed by the Library Commission meeting @ 7pm in the Marin City library.

(12) ADJOURNMENT – M/S/C Jacobs/Navaras – Meeting adjourned @ 8:25 pm