

## NAPA COUNTY LIBRARY COMMISSION MINUTES

November 14, 2019

### **CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL**

The Library Commission of the County of Napa met on Thursday November 14, 2019 at the Napa Library. Chair Halley Lauer called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. with the following commissioners present: Halley Lauer, Sarita Lopez, Patricia Krueger, Stephanie J. Allan, Richard Pastcan M.D., and teen representative Christopher Olivier. Davina Rubin arrived at 5:50 p.m. and Scott Owens, Jr. arrived at 6:01 p.m. Excused Absence: Pastor José Diaz

### **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA ORDER:**

Motion moved by Commissioner Lopez to accept the agenda order as presented, Commissioner Pastcan seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0, with Halley Lauer, Sarita Lopez, Patricia Krueger, Stephanie J. Allan, and Richard Pastcan M.D. voting yes.

### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

1. September 5, 2019 (Members Patricia Krueger, Stephanie J. Allan, Scott Owens, Jr., Richard Pastcan M.D., and Sarita Lopez were present.)

Motion moved by Commissioner Krueger and seconded by Commissioner Pastcan to approve the minutes as amended. Motion passed 5-0 with Halley Lauer, Sarita Lopez, Patricia Krueger, Stephanie J. Allan, and Richard Pastcan M.D. voting yes.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Report on Spanish language & bilingual programming

Presentation from Napa Library Associates, Refugio Rivera, and Chelsea Hernandez-Garcia on the community based programming funded by the California Humanities Grant. The main objective of this grant is to engage the Latinx community, reel in the rest of the community, and make the library as diverse and inclusive as possible. In order to find what interests the Napa community has, Refugio and Chelsea asked patrons to complete surveys, participate in open discussions, and gathered information from Harwood- Community Talks. The two associates held trial programs to retrieve feedback from attendees such as, a Frida painting tutorial night, and a Vegan Chef presentation. The two found that every attendee enjoyed the programming and could not wait for the next event!

Moving forward you can expect to see more of these events carry out through December. Listed below are upcoming events:

Pumpkin Spice Energy Balls: American Canyon Library

- An interactive cooking tutorial for healthy holiday treats

Community Cook Book: open to all branches

- Please submit your recipes to the Napa Library for your opportunity to be a part of the Napa Library Community Cookbook! The cookbook will be printed for the community to see, all entries are welcomed.

Home for the Holidays: Napa Main Library

- A dive into the world of Virtual Reality, in this program you have a chance to visit places and spaces all over the world.

b. Report on Public Safety Power Shutoff and fire event

Throughout the many Napa power shut offs, Napa Main Library remained open to the public with full power. Charging stations were set up throughout the library. On day one, there was a 92% increase in foot traffic, and a 600% increase in Wi-Fi connectivity. The library has become a true disaster recovery hub, and welcomes everyone to its safe space.

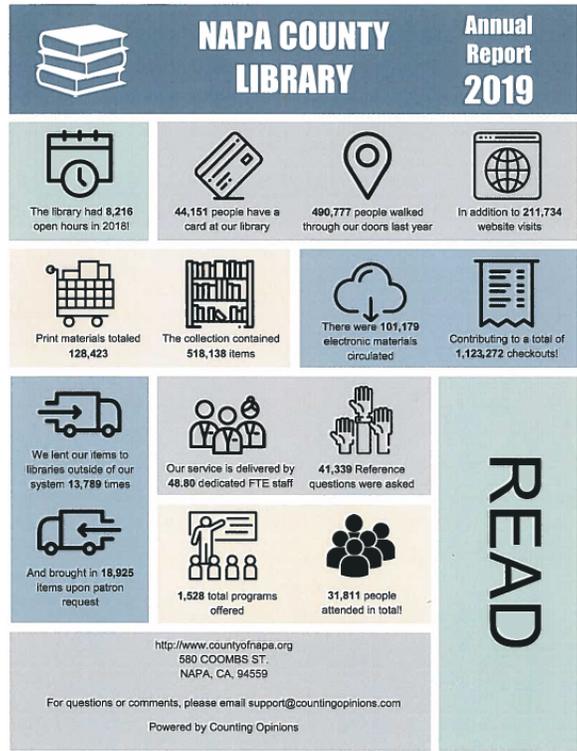
c. Report on Summer Reading Program

Summer Reading Program statistics will be presented next meeting.

**LIBRARY DIRECTOR’S COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

The Napa Bike Branch will make an appearance at the annual Christmas parade this year.

The Napa County Library’s annual report has been generated; the results include all four-library branches, please see below:



Library Director commented that she is retiring December 27, 2019; after eleven wonderful years, she feels confident that the staff will continue to steer the library in a successful direction.

**LEGISLATION:**

Upcoming meeting to oppose Macmillan's library e-book embargo.

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Krueger commented that her term would be ending in January; she is very impressed by the work American Canyon offers to the community, and so thankful to have a bilingual staff member on board.

Commissioner Owens commented that he found the PSPS reading enlightening, he was happy to read about the positive impact the library had and how it truly is a hub to the community.

Commissioner Allan commented that she would like for the community to know about the Sonoma County Barr Association, they offer free legal help to the community. If there is an interest, she would be willing to volunteer her time here in Napa.

Commissioner Pastcan commented that he was happy to hear that the library has driving tests/tools available for those looking to study for a driving test or license renewal.

Commissioner Lauer commented that she checked out her first link+ book and was very pleased to be able to find that book. She attended a craft activity where they made wreaths; it was a lot of fun.

Commissioner Lopez commented that she is excited to be attending upcoming activities and events at the library.

Teen Representative Christopher Olivier commented that he has had so much fun in the teen room showing robotics!

Commissioner Rubin commented that it is so wonderful to see the bike branch making its way into the community; she cannot wait to see how many books will be accessible to everyone! Also, she recently read, *The Library Book*, by Susan Orlean and found that it is a great way to learn about libraries and feel connected.

**AGENDA BUILDING:**

- Summer Reading Program statistics with teen and adult partnerships

**SET DATE, TIME, AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING:**

**Thursday January 9, 2020  
5:00 p.m.  
Napa Library  
580 Coombs Street, CA 94559**

**ADJOURN:**

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

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