Santiago Library System (SLS)
Children’s Services Committee Meeting Agenda
February 27, 2023
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Virtual meeting via Zoom
https://ocpl-org.zoom.us/j/87332020170?pwd=REVpWUQvNTFqcU5JZUVIVV2pmZWZ1dz09
Meeting ID: 873 3202 0170
Passcode: sls

Meeting locations:
Costa Mesa Donald Dungan Library
Adams Room
1855 Park Ave
Costa Mesa, CA 92627

Orange Public Library
Children’s Homework Center
407 E Chapman Avenue
Orange, CA 92866

1. Call to Order        Nhung Nguyen
2. Roll Call         Nissa Perez-Montoya

Attendance: Nhung Nguyen, OCPL; Nissa Perez-Montoya, Anaheim; Ruth Cho, Buena Park; Keithley Hale, Fullerton; Laura Jenkins, Huntington Beach; Lauren Regenhardt, Mission Viejo; Andrea Roque, Orange (virtual); Annika Helmuth, Newport Beach; Lupita Arroyo, Santa Ana; Lucy Salvado, Yorba Linda;

3. Adoption of Agenda
   This is the opportunity for committee members to delete items from the Agenda, to continue items, to re-order items, and to make additions pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(b).

4. Oral Communications
   Pursuant to California Government code Section 54954.3, members of the public may address the Santiago Library System Children’s Services committee on any matter within the jurisdiction of the Children’s Committee. Presentations by the public are limited to 5 minutes per person. Members of the public are also permitted to address the Santiago Library System Children’s committee on specific Agenda Items before and that the time that an item is being considered by the Executive Council. Action may not be taken on items not on the Agenda except in emergencies or as otherwise authorized pursuant to California Government code Section 54954.2(b).
Consent Calendar

5. Minutes of the September 2022 Santiago Library System Children’s Services Meeting. (additions or corrections, approval)

New Business

1. Introduce New Members
2. Agenda Preparation for the next Children’s Services Committee Meeting
   a. Changing of Chair and Secretary
      i. New Chair: Andrea Roque, Orange Public Library
      ii. New Secretary: Ruth Cho, Buena Park Library District
   b. Brown Act and committee meetings- restoration of Brown Act to pre-pandemic protocols
   c. Google Drive houses meeting agendas and minutes
3. Performers Showcase Recap
   a. Went well; 110 library staff members attended and 50 performers showcased
   b. Comments from participants included bringing back lunch, more parking, expand to include new talent/performers
   c. Exit surveys sent to librarians and performers- received positive comments and suggestions for next year
   d. Discussion on options for future venues
      i. Proposal for possible future venues
         1. 2024: Huntington Beach Library Theater
         2. 2025: Mission Viejo
         3. 2026 Newport Beach
         4. 2027 Anaheim Public Library
4. Ideas for future SLS sponsored programs
   a. Story Time grants
   b. Create a SLS sensory kit collection
   c. Funding for each SLS location to purchase Play and Learn toys/materials
   d. Professional development workshop: early learning/child development
5. Winter 2022/23 Programming Recap
   a. Santa Ana
      i. Theater Music Camp
      ii. Lunar New Year Celebration
      iii. Reading program with partner Panda Express
   b. Mission Viejo
      i. Story Time break during December
      ii. Narnia Winter Ball: snacks, dancing, trivia
      iii. Sensory Santa event
      iv. Fortnight Program: built forts, dance party, story time, held after library closed
      v. Math Challenge program- huge success; hosting once a month
   c. Huntington Beach
i. Great Backyard Bird Count Program included OC Birds of Prey, bird walks in park by library, binoculars offered for check out
ii. Brilliant Black Inventors take away kits
iii. STEAM careers for tweens/teens workshop
d. Fullerton
   i. Yule Ball: HP trivia, snacks
e. Anaheim
   i. Partnered with Raising Cane’s Chicken Fingers
   ii. 1,405 patrons enrolled in WRP and 1,064 completed program
   iii. Program ran from January 9 – February 18
f. Yorba Linda
   i. Holiday at the Paseo: 800 attended; craft activities
g. Newport Beach
   i. New staff, increase in programs
   ii. Bark therapy dogs – expanding to all locations
   iii. Let and story time programs
   iv. STEM and craft programs once a month
h. Orange
   i. Closed in December for a couple of weeks
   ii. Had a Santa program before the closure
   iii. Winter Reading Program through the branches
   iv. Firefighter story time
   v. Recently reopened and ramping up programming: science program, early finance literacy program, nature hunt, DIY kite craft, math challenge program
i. Buena Park
   i. Winter Reading Program in January and February- very popular due to Squishmallow Challenge
   ii. new hire coming on board in coming weeks
   iii. Story time and take home crafts
j. OCPL
   i. University Park has a popular chess program

6. Spring 2023 Plans
   a. OCPL
      i. Kinderpalooza in March- kits available at all branches; five programs offered in system, spread out through the branches
   b. Mission Viejo
      i. Received a grant for Early Learning- starting in March, First 5 OC will present to parents information on collaborative play and Kid Builders website
      ii. Women’s History Month STEM program
      iii. Tween Book Club
iv. Working with Mission Viejo mall to present storytime during their Easter Bunny program

c. Fullerton
   i. Participating in State Library Stay and Play grant

d. Santa Ana
   i. Annual Dia de los Niños event on April 29
   ii. Eric Litwin concert (author of Pete the Cat series): costume character, photo booths, food trucks, inflatable maze, STEAM activities, free book giveaways

e. Anaheim
   i. Planning Dia de los Niños events
   ii. Sunkist branch library participating in Stay and Play grant
   iii. SRP planning/ finalizing- begins May 30

f. Newport Beach
   i. Spring Reading Challenge: March 1 to end of April
   ii. Author/ activities programs
   iii. Coding for kids: grades 2-5
   iv. National Library Week programs
   v. Digital Saturdays: highlights technology and resources library offers
   vi. STEAM series program once per month

g. Huntington Beach
   i. Hosting 4 performances of Moana ballet- 1 hour long, $10/ ticket; funding goes toward SRP
   ii. Fancy Nancy tea party: online registration required, NCL volunteers assisting
   iii. Asian American History Celebration for all ages

7. Roundtable discussion
8. Adjournment at 12:17pm