



Santiago Library System
Reference and Local History Committee
Meeting Notes
September 13, 2022 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Yorba Linda Public Library
4852 Lakeview Ave.
Yorba Linda, CA 92886

Call to Order

1. Call to Order: 10:02 a.m. Chair
2. Roll Call Secretary

- Ted Kane, **Buena Park Public Library**, tkane@buenaparklibrary.org
- Rebecca Lightfoot, **Newport Beach Public Library**, rlightfoot@newportbeachca.gov
- Julia Reardon, **Orange County Public Libraries**, Julia.Reardon@occr.ocgov.com
- Keisha Loidolt, **Orange Public Library**, kloidolt@cityoforange.org
- Chair: Jessica Young, **Yorba Linda Public Library**, jyoung@yorbalindaca.gov
- Amy Crepeau, **Huntington Beach Public Library**, acrepeau@surfcity-hb.org
- Jenna Pontious, **Fullerton Public Library**, jenna.pontious@cityoffullerton.com
- Bruce Dunphy, **Mission Viejo Public Library**, bdunphy@cityofmissionviejo.org
- Patty Lopez, **Santa Ana Public Library**, plopez@santa-ana.org
- Brian Sternberg, **Santa Ana Public Library**, bsternberg@santa-ana.org
- Yesenia Baltierra, **Placentia Public Library**, ybaltierra@placentialibrary.org
- Secretary: Lisa Weber, **Anaheim Public Library**, lweber@anaheim.net

3. Adoption of Agenda
Motion to adopt: Rebecca Lightfoot
Seconded by: Yesenia Baltierra
All in favor? All yesses, motion passed.

4. Oral Communications
Brian Sternberg will take over liaison duties from Carrie Lixey to the Executive Committee.
Motion to approve May 10, 2022 minutes: Rebecca Lightfoot
Seconded by Kiesha Loidolt
All in favor? All yesses, minutes approved.

5. No public comments.

New Business

6. Meeting Topics and Locations for 2022/2023 Session Committee
 - November 8, 2022: Training & Local History at **Orange Public Library**
 - January 10, 2023: Collection Development at **Yorba Linda Public Library**

- March 14, 2023: Summer Reading at **Anaheim Public Library**
- May 19, 2023: Community Partnerships at **Buena Park Public Library**

7. Group Project

Discussion of possible project ideas to be decided on at next meeting. Possible topics include: Library security, Homelessness Partnerships, Vote Centers, World Languages, Staff Mental Health, Training and Retaining Staff, Post-pandemic Service Models, Collection Development Programs, Inclusion/Diversity Training. Additional topics welcome.

Round Table

Committee

Huntington Beach Public Library, Amy Crepeau

We are hiring 2 positions, a literacy coordinator and Principal Librarian. Our Veteran’s Resource Center has had a reboot and is open.

Buena Park Library District, Ted Kane

Has had active shooter trainings and staff development and just reopened yesterday after an HVAC closure.

Mission Viejo Public Library, Bruce Dunphy

- Is the new adult services and local history librarian at the Mission Viejo Library.
- Mission Viejo is in the process of hiring 3 Library Specialists (19 hours), and may be hiring an on-call librarian in the future (19 hours).
- We are now preparing for our 25th anniversary with a Friends of the Library Fundraising Gala on October 7, and we will be celebrating with other programs throughout the month.
- I will have lots to share about Local History issues in our next meeting on November 8 in Orange.

Santa Ana Public Library, Patty Lopez

The library is functioning as a cooling center. We are hiring for lots of positions: 3 FT librarians, 2 FT library technicians and 1 PT position. The author series since January going well and has had great feedback and is booked for 2 years. We have one staff member dedicated to social media. Our upcoming remodel received a critical infrastructure grant for \$9 million dollars. The city has consolidated part time positions into FT. We have 500 Chromebooks! Our hotspots don’t renew but can be placed on hold.

Anaheim Public Library, Lisa Weber

- Anaheim City and Library are celebrating Welcoming Week, September 9-18, with programs to welcome immigrants throughout the city. Anaheim Library hosted a book discussion and immigrant panel discussion about the book, “Displaced, The Journey Home”, by Tami Shaikh.
- OCCORD is back in person with Citizenship Classes (hybrid in-person and online model) as well as one-on-one appointments.
- Anaheim will participate in Indie Author Day on November 5th. Anaheim’s second poet laureate, Wendy Van Camp, is hosting.
- Our popular Zinefest was held in person at the Central branch September 10, 2022 for the first time in three years. 75 Zinesters shared their work and almost 900 people attended.

- Online Author Talks with NY Times award winning authors started last month. Funded in part by the Federal Covid Relief funds and hosted by the Library Speaker Consortium. Quite popular so far.

Orange Public Library, Keisha Loidolt

Pop Up Library at Outlets of Orange

Through a partnership with Outlets of Orange, we hosted a Pop Up Library 3 days per week this summer in the former guest services booth.

The outreach effort was successful, with 100+ library card signups and 300+ interactions with shoppers.

Our library went fine-free on August 1

We also streamlined checkout limits so that most of our collection has the same checkout period and lack of restrictions.

We recently signed up for a couple new e-resources: LinkedIn Learning and Connected California Grants

We received the State Parks grant which is allowing us to expand our book collection, conduct programs, and circulate hiking and bird-watching kits.

We recently applied for the Sustainability Grant

Major Events

Our Comic Convention finally returns on Saturday, September 17 with activities for all ages throughout the afternoon.

A few Banned Books Week activities are planned, including a book discussion and giveaway.

Question: does any other library keep emergency food and water on hand for staff/patrons in the event of an emergency?

Most libraries keep emergency food and water on hand for staff.

Anaheim Library keeps only emergency book repair supplies, and YBPL gives out emergency supply bags for staff to keep.

Placentia Library District

Placentia Library received the following grants:

California State Library Stronger Together: Out of School Time for a bookmobile

\$400,000 state grant, sponsored by Assemblyman Phillip Chen's office for us to provide a safe, attractive exterior space for staff and visitors.

We are currently accepting applications for the following positions:

Bookmobile Librarian: closes September 16

Full Time Children's Library Assistant: closes September 16

Adult & Teen Services Supervising Librarian: closes September 30th

Fullerton Public Library, Jenna Pontious

HVAC renovation; will be hiring but nothing posted yet; town and gown programs.

Orange County Public Libraries, Julia Reardon

- Library Card Sign-Up Month
 - Photo campaign – opportunity drawing for all entries

- New and existing OC Public Libraries card holders can share a photo with their library card, tag @ocpubliclibraries, and be featured on the library’s social media platforms.
 - Library patrons can also have their photo taken at any local OC Public Libraries
 - In-person photo event with special guest “Froggy” during last week of September at Westminster, Fountain Valley, and Aliso Viejo libraries.
- 2022 NEA Big Read
 - Infinite Country by Patricia Engle
 - Author event December 8 at the Bowers Museum
 - Kick-off event
 - October 1 at Costa Mesa Donald Dungan Library – Face Painting, Bilingual Storytime, Craft, Author Monica Brown and her book Waiting for the Biblioburro
 - Film Screenings
 - Fruits of Labor – documentary story of teen farmworker
 - Encanto – September through December
 - Book of Life
 - Book Clubs – majority of branches will feature Infinite Country at one of their book club meetings.
- Discover & Go active again - Patrons can log in with their library cards and reserve passes to access free and discounted attractions.
 - [The Aquarium of the Pacific](#)
 - [The Brea Gallery](#)
 - [The Heritage Museum of Orange County](#)
 - [Mission San Juan Capistrano](#)
 - [The Muckenthaler Cultural Center](#)
 - [Pretend City Children’s Museum](#)
 - [Orange Coast College Planetarium](#)
 - [Casa Romantica](#)

Newport Beach Public Library, Rebecca Lightfoot

- Many promotions due to long time employees retiring: Melissa Hartson is the new Library Director. Andy Kachaturian is the new Circulation and Technical Processing Coordinator, and Annika Helmuth is the new Branch and Youth Services Coordinator. Due to Andy and Annika’s promotions, we promoted two more internal candidates to Librarian IIs: Alex Jenkins and Jeremy Rodriguez. We are still hiring for a Librarian II for Children’s Services. We will be recruiting for two Librarian Is to fill the vacancies left by Alex and Jeremy’s promotions. We are in the process of hiring a new Literacy Coordinator. We are also hiring one more P/T Library Assistant.
- The Newport Beach Public Library Foundation secured a \$4 million dollar donation from Bill Witte and Keiko Sakamoto towards construction of the new Lecture Hall. The Witte Hall will seat almost 300 and is expected to open in 2024.

- Adult Programs: two Meet the Author events, Dr. Michael Roizen on September 27, and Dr. Cristina LePort on October 27. Summer Concerts on the Green is winding down with Britain's Finest, a Beatles' cover band, performing on September 18. The Fall Concert at Marina Park on October 2 will feature Stone Soul, a classic soul and Motown tribute band. Sunday Musicales return for the fall in September. Our Memoir Writing Workshops with author Chris Epting have proven extremely popular and we continue to add sessions to meet the demand.

Yorba Linda Public Library, Jessica Young

The Yorba Linda Public Library has two new alternative lending collections including Memory Care kits for older adults and STEAM kits for children and young teens.

In addition the Yorba Linda Public Library received the LSTA State Parks Grant and will be doing programming as part of the grant including birdwatching, programs in partnership with Chino Hills State Park as well as DIY Terrarium in the winter and spring of 2023.

Upcoming programs include:

A passive program similar to Blind Date with a Book called Trick or Treat: Is this book sweet? taking place the month of October. Teens and adults check out an unknown book and see if it is a sweet treat. Participants rate their read for a chance to win a raffle.

Meditation Mondays featuring a local doctor who discusses an article on meditation and then guides attendees through heart centered meditation.

Mad Lab Escape Room is a Frankenstein inspired escape room for adults and teens the last week in October.

Monthly DIY classes including DIY Paper Flowers in September and DIY Halloween Felt in October.

Muggle Mania welcomes all Harry Potter fans, no matter the age to participate in crafts, games, and more on Saturday, October 15 from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Rebecca Lightfoot

8. Adjournment: 10:56 a.m.