

## Santiago Library System (SLS) Children's Services Committee Meeting Agenda September 19, 2022

Virtual meeting via Zoom

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

Annika Helmuth

Nissa Perez-Montoya

Attendance: Nissa Perez-Montoya, Anaheim; Ruth Cho, Buena Park; Gina Moffitt, Fullerton; Andrea Roque, Orange; Annika Helmuth, Newport Beach; Venessa Faber, Placentia; 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 May 2022 Santiago Library System Children's Services Meeting. (additions or corrections, approval)

## **New Business**

- 1. Agenda preparation for the next Children's Services Committee Meeting
  - Continue Performers Showcase planning
  - Venessa to send out an online poll to determine date and time
- 2. Summer 2022 programming recap

- Newport Beach- used Beanstack, programs well attended, Stuffed Animal Summer Camp (popular with staff), Kids Imagination Concert = 350 attended (best attendance to date), focus on giving out books at start of program; teen volunteers helped make all the difference
- Santa Ana- Numbers up 900 registered; used Beanstack for first time and it was well received by patrons; finishers received a t-shirt; variety of prizes at end; bookmobile launched this summer- lots of outreach in the community; music theater camp; Robotic/STEAM programming
- Placentia- 750 registered; 2<sup>nd</sup> year with Beanstack and paper logs (logs not as used); midway prize and treasure chest at end; tickets earned for small raffles; stuffed animal sleepover very popular with staff and patrons; wild Wednesdays – staff-led programming with a summer camp theme
- Orange- 1700 children and teen participants; no virtual; 42% completion rate; prizes for 5,10, 15, 20 books read; art lab; no performers; therapy dog reading volunteers
- Fullerton used Read Squared, working ok; 1086 registrants; first summer without Jeanine; 7 prize levels, pre-selected items; weekly preschool storytimes; brought back baby and toddler storytimes; volunteers returned to assist with prep; monthly STEM kits
- Yorba Linda- almost 4500 total for kids, teens, adults; just kids was over 3000; regular programs returned; 49 programs with over 11,000 participants; used Read Squared and had some hiccups with logging reading; getting close to 2000 patrons visiting each day since new building opening; registered patrons for performers events
- Buena Park- almost 900 registrants; pretty much back to pre-covid programming; storytimes, lego club, video-/ board games; goody bags for finishers; some resistance in community to using Beanstack, will probably continue to use paper logs
- Anaheim- almost back to pre-pandemic enrollments; 2061 children ages 0-12 years registerd; we had 68% complete our program; we used iRead's theme and Read Squared software; 223 programs offered to children ages 0-12 and their families with an attendance of over 14,000 participants; we also received funding from Lunch at the Library which allowed for 2 libraries to be meal sites and 24 community sites (mostly local schools) receiving library services and activities
- 3. Fall/Winter Programming Plans
  - Fullerton- library currently closed due to replacement of HVAC system; Baby and toddler storytime, preschool storytime, movie matinees, monthly STEM program; shifting and reorganizing the children's area; junior and senior high book collection being creating in the upstairs area for tweens and teens
  - Placentia- Pumpkin Character contest: patrons decorate a pumpkin, turn it in, online voting expanding to include teens and adults; received a bookmobile grant; Monster Mash
  - Santa Ana- using Beanstack for Cover to Cover registration and tracking. 3 storytimes: 2 babies and toddler storytimes, preschool storytimes; 250 make and take kits each month provided to patrons on first come, first served basis; celebrating Native American Heritage month with viewing of Molly of Denali; will be closing the library in about a year to upgrade and transform; pre-k academy launch pads and AWE tablets; robotics companion program, Moxie robots to be available for check out
  - Yorba Linda- back to normal with storytimes and after-school programs (Lego Club, Pajama-rama, etc); Muggle Mania program; received a grant to create STEAM kits, made 18 so far and it has been very successful; young teen area study zone area

- Buena Park- closed for 5 weeks due to HVAC and plumbing; just recently reopened; storytimes, make & take kits, game and craft programs; passive programming for Hispanic Heritage Month and Halloween
- Newport Beach- storytimes well attended, attendance ranges from 80-140; make & take crafts; Back to School Bingo via Beanstack; children's author events have returned, emphasis on making them interactive vs Q&A
- Anaheim- all children's programming has resumed at all location; will be celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month with a variety of programs from Lucha Libra storytime to a closing Fiesta showcasing Author Mariana Galvez along with local kids mariachi group Mariachi Rhythmo and Ballet Folkloric dancers from Anaheim's Project SAY (Support Anaheim's Youth) group; will be hosting Franklin Haynes Marionette's for a Halloween program and working on plans for December special programs; planning to use Read Squared for tracking In-n-Out's Cover to Cover program
- Discussion on therapy dog groups
- 4. Performers Showcase Planning
  - Returning Thursday, January 19, 2023 at Yorba Linda Community Center
  - Lucy to start working on applications and will create roles for SLS members to volunteer for
  - Sound system- community center may have a new one
- 5. Roundtable discussion Placentia is looking for puppet skits
- 6. Adjournment at 3:29pm