

Meeting of the Library Commission Advocacy Ad Hoc Group

DATE: Wednesday, July 3, 2024, 8:30am via zoom

LOCATION: Zoom Meeting

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1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Commissioner Hildreth called the meeting to order at 8:37 a.m. All members of the adhoc group were present: Sue Hamill (Dist. 4), Susan Hildreth (Dist 2), Clifton Louie (Dist 3), Rachel Rosekind (Dist 1), Bob Sanguedolce (alternate, San Ramon)

2. WELCOME and INTRODUCTIONS

Michael Fischer, El Cerrito Library Commissioner, and Alejandra Sanchez from Sup. Carlson's office introduced themselves.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Speakers from the audience may address the Library Commission on any relevant issue that is not scheduled for the agenda. Public comment can be made on agenda items when the item is discussed. Public comment is limited to three (3) minutes per speaker and speakers may text your comments/questions to 925-818-0049 prior to the meeting. Public comment on agenda items can also be e-mailed to the Library Commission at walter.beveridge@library.cccounty.us to be received one day prior to the Library Commission meeting.

There was no public comment

4. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES – attachment 1

The full body will vote to accept, with or without edits, the minutes of the May 1, 2024, meeting.

Commissioner Sanguedolce motioned and Commissioner Hamill seconded to approve the minutes with no changes, passed unanimously.

5. DISCUSSION TOPICS:

A. New data regarding open hours and Sunday hours in surrounding county libraries – Sue Hamill & Susan Hildreth (Attachment 2)

The group reviewed and discussed the attached data compiled by Commissioner Hamill, Commissioner Hildreth and County Librarian Alison McKee. The group is in unanimous support of advocating for 56 open hours Monday-Saturday at all full-service libraries, with at least 6 of those libraries also being open on Sundays. Alison confirmed that the county will still be pursuing the self-service Sunday pilot at the Concord branch and if successful will work to expand to up to 5 more locations. Commissioner Rosekind mentioned the importance of programming on Sundays, which can only happen with library staff on site. Commissioner Hamill agreed to research which of our 4 peer library systems (Alameda, Napa, Solano, Marin County Libraries) offer programs on Sundays.

B. Next Steps – Alison McKee

Alison will be meeting with each of the Supervisor to update them on what this group has been working on and discussing. Commissioner Sanguedolce will report on this group's work at the July Commission meeting.

Alison clarified that going forward all adhoc meetings of the Commission must take place with members participating in person unless they publish the address from where they are taking the meeting and the public can attend the meeting at that location. All meetings must also be conducted with a hybrid option for members of the public to be able to attend virtually.

6. ADJOURN TO NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, August 7, 2024, 8:30am Ygnacio Valley Library