

# ***Meeting of the Library Commission Advocacy Ad Hoc Group***

**DATE:** Wednesday, November 6, 2024, 8:30am via zoom

**LOCATION:** Ygnacio Valley Library, 2661 Oak Grove Rd. Walnut Creek, CA

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## **1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 8:40 a.m.

Commissioners Sue Hamill (Dist. 4), Robert Sanguedolce (alternate, San Ramon), Susan Hildreth (Dist. 2), and Clifton Louie (Dist. 3) were present.

## **2. WELCOME and INTRODUCTIONS**

No introductions were made.

## **3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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There were no public comments.

## **4. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES – attachment 1**

The full body will vote to accept, with or without edits, the minutes of the July 3, 2024, meeting.

Susan Hamill moved to accept the September 20, 2024, minutes without changes. Bob Sanguedolce seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.

**5. DISCUSSION TOPICS:**

A. Review of Friends, Foundation & Library Commission Forum -Alison McKee

- There were approximately 50 people attending the Friends, Foundation & Library Commission Forum, 10 of which were Library staff.
- Alison McKee presented how the Library works and the history of the four failed library tax ballot measures over the last several decades in Contra Costa County, Susan Hildreth & Deborah Doyle talked about how tax measures work and presented the Library funding research that had been done by this group.
- Attendees spent time networking with each other.

B. What to Present to the Library Commission

The group decided to recommend that the Library Commission accept the report created by the Advocacy Ad Hoc Committee regarding the comparison of CCCL funding to the funding of other similarly structured Bay Area libraries and to communicate the findings in the report to their appointing authorities.

(a) Report of Meetings with Supervisors

There were no meetings with the County Supervisors.

C. Sunsetting Advocacy Ad Hoc Committee

It was agreed that the Advocacy Ad Hoc Group should be sunsetted.

**6. ADJOURN**

Meeting was adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

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## **1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**

Commissioner Sue Hamill called to order at 8:35 a.m.  
Commissioners Sue Hamill (Dist. 4), Robert Sanguedolce (alternate, San Ramon), Susan Hildreth (Dist. 2), and Clifton Louie (Dist. 3) were present.

## **2. WELCOME and INTRODUCTIONS**

No introductions were made .

## **3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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There were no public comments.

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Susan Hildreth moved to accept the July 3, 2024, minutes without changes. Sue Hamill seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.

## 5. DISCUSSION TOPICS:

### A. County Librarian Report – Alison McKee

- Alison had informal conversations with each of the members of the Board of Supervisors
  - Updated them on library business and the activities of the Advocacy Ad Hoc group.
  - Let them know that members of the Advocacy Ad Hoc group would be reaching out to them to schedule conversations.
- October FFLC Forum on 10/5/24
  - Follow up from Forum in 2023 to provide information on why the CCC Library is so minimally funded.
  - Extensive research was done by this group to compile this information.
  - Susan Hildreth and Deborah Doyle will co-present about advocacy.
  - Presenting the history of the 4 failed ballot measures

### B. Review of Work Accomplished To Date – Susan Hildreth

The work that has been done by the Advocacy Ad Hoc Group was reviewed.

### C. Next steps – General discussion

#### (a) What to Present to the Commission and When to Present It

- Alison will do a debrief of the FFLC Forum and there is the standing Agenda item from the Advocacy Ad Hoc Group.

#### (b) Meeting with Supervisors

- Meetings with the Supervisors should be done prior to the 10/5/24 Forum

#### (c) Future Action Items

- Next meeting will be Wednesday, November 6, 2024.

## 6. ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.