I. Call to order – Chairperson Sheridan Beuving called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m. Members Present: Sheridan Beuving, Margaret Bowen, Sue Henderson, Sandy McDowell, Pamela Floyd, and Vanessa Czopek. Laura Jensen came in at 5:09 due to her participation in a high school play.

Guests: Jodi Miller – Children’s Librarian, Stanislaus County Library
Donna Witt – Human Resources Coordinator, Stanislaus County Library

Absent: Nadine Dunker and Josh Vander Veen.

II. Approval of minutes for July 10, 2008 meeting – Unanimous approval.

III. Public Comment Period – There were no public comments.

IV. Old Business

V. New Business
   a. Meeting Schedule - Vanessa Czopek handed out the Library Advisory Board Meeting schedule for 2009 through 2012.
   b. Children’s Department Overview – Jodi Miller from the Stanislaus County Library went over the activities of the Children’s Department, explained what Readers’ Advisory is and read a story for all present at the Library Advisory Board meeting.
   c. Annual Report and Statistics – Vanessa handed out: Annual Statistical Report, Stanislaus County Actual Library Revenue and Expenditure Comparison FY 06/07 and FY 07/08 Close, Stanislaus County Library Budget Comparison FY 07/08 vs. FY 08/09, Stanislaus County Library Expense & Salary Chart, and Summer Reading Club Statistics. Vanessa explained each document and answered questions.
   d. Dashboard for Staff – Vanessa discussed the concept of having a dashboard for staff. The purpose is to have indicators that will tell you how well you are doing.
   e. Miscellaneous Information-Vanessa Czopek
      1. The Library Foundation had retreat to see how they can help the library.
      2. All Stanislaus County Libraries have wireless access that works only during each library’s open hours.
      3. The State Librarian is coming to the January Library Advisory Board Committee meeting so get your questions ready for her.
      4. There are changes in the library’s Acquisitions Department. Susan Novak retired and Stacey Chen was selected to fill the Librarian III position in
Acquisitions. Stacey was the Salida Regional Branch Manager. Diane Bartlett was selected to fill the Librarian III position in Salida. Diane was the Turlock Regional Branch Manager. We are currently going through the process to fill the Librarian III position in Turlock.

5. The library now has an Outreach Committee. We are putting together a five year plan. There will be a component in the plan for the Library Advisory Board, the Library Foundation, and the Friends of the Library.

6. The Chairman of the Library Advisory Board and Vanessa Czopek will need to go to the Board of Supervisors meeting in regards to the last fiscal year.

VI. Adjournment

Minutes respectfully submitted by Donna Witt