STANISLAUS COUNTY LIBRARY
Sarah Dentan
COUNTY LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Library Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes - DRAFT
April 23, 2026, 5:30-7:00 p.m.
Salida Library Community Room

Present: Board Members – District 1 Rep Renee Ousley-Swank, District 2 Rep Lise Talbott, District 4 Jen Pereira, District 5 Rep Gay Girard; At-Large Rep Michael Lingg (Education)

Library Staff Members – Sarah Dentan, Laura Ferrell, Kelly Ferrini, Curtis Lee, Wayne Philbrook, Angelique Prendez, Andrea Rush-McNeel, Marco Sepulveda

I. Meeting was called to order by Lise Talbott at 5:30 p.m.

II. Consent Calendar

1. Approved the Minutes for January 22, 2026

   Gay Girard made a motion, and Michael Lingg seconded the motion to accept the minutes. The motion passed with unanimous approval.

III. Public Comment – No public comments were received.

IV. Report from County Librarian – Sarah Dentan

1. County Librarian Report – Sarah discussed last year's Customer Service Survey results, achievements, future services and program goals, and looking ahead.

V. Staff Reports

1. Facility Report – Sarah Dentan reported the Modesto Library improvement is in the construction phase, anticipate opening later this year. The Keyes Library is under construction and reviewed the conceptual drawings. The Waterford Library is currently in the design phase.
2. Budget Report – Curtis Lee, Business Manager reviewed the library budget report as of March 31, 2026 and the sales tax breakdown.
3. Information Technology – Andrea Rush-McNeel
    1. AI in Libraries – Andrea IT Manager; Laura Ferrell, Marketing & Communications Manager; and Kelly Ferrini, Collection Services Librarian provided an overview on AI in the libraries.

VI. Reports from Library Support Groups

1. Friends of the Library

   Theresa Hubert – Salida Friends Annual Book Sale was extremely successful. The funds earned will allow them to support programing at the Salida Library. They partnered with Modesto Friends for Library Workers Day and provided a luncheon for library staff.

Gay Girard – Patterson Friends discussed the Love Patterson event where they discussed Library Services.

Anita Hay – Waterford Friends was in attendance to get information regarding development at the Waterford Library.

2. Library Foundation

Susan Thomas discussed the Shinny Star Award Event. Shout out to Luara Ferrell and the Turlock Library Staff for all the work they do on the Library Volunteer Appreciation Event. This event is to honor the Library Volunteers who go above and beyond.

Party at the Library will be held on April 24, 2026, to honor library doners. The topic will be discussing what the donated money was used for.

They will be at the Modesto Farmers Market on July 11, 2026, to get the word out on Library Services.

There will be a Family Outreach Event at the State Theater on July 25, 2026.

VII. Announcements – Board Members
Lise attended an Awards Dinner in Grayson – Lots of community love and appreciation for Library Staff and the services they provide at Grayson; they would love to see it there more often.

VIII. Agenda Building – Next meeting: July 23, 2026, at Salida Library – Community Room

IX. Correspondence – Chair

No correspondence received.

X. Adjournment – Chair

Adjourned at 6:58 p.m. Motion to adjourn Michael Lingg and Gay Girard seconded the motion.

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