



Library Advisory Board – Special Meeting
Meeting Minutes

October 30, 2025, 5:30-7:00 p.m.
Salida Library Story Time Room

Present: Board Members – District 2 Rep Lise Talbott, District 3 Eddie Dobson, District 4 Jen Pereira, District 5 Rep Gay Girard; At-Large Rep Monica Bown (Business), At-Large Rep Michael Lingg (Education); Library Staff Members – Sarah Dentan, Wayne Philbrook, Angelique Prendez, Andrea Rush-McNeil, Marco Sepulveda

I. Meeting was called to order by Lise Talbott at 5:34 p.m.

II. Consent Calendar

1. Approved the Minutes for August 14, 2025, Special Meeting

Add Monica Brown to the Minutes. Lise Talbott made a motion, and Gay Girard seconded the motion to accept the minutes with the addition. 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 the Institute for Museum and Library Services (IMLS) State and Federal funding, local impacts, challenges, and statistics.

V. Staff Reports

1. Facility Report – Marco Sepulveda, Facilities Manager

Sarah provided a construction update on the Modesto Library. The Newman Library reopened; Riverbank Library is anticipated to reopen January 2026; Keyes Library construction date is to be determined.

Sarah is active with public awareness and is available for speaking engagements.

2. Budget Report – Curtis Lee, Business Manager reviewed the library budget for Fiscal Year 2025 and Fiscal Year 2026 (1st Quarter).

VI. Reports from Library Support Groups – Presentations are Limited to Two Minutes

1. Friends of the Library

Jen Pereira – National Friends of the Library Week held a pop-up event with 20 artists and raised over \$5k. The Friends do advocacy every Saturday at the Farmers Market. Spooktacular was held at the Mansion. 1, 400 attended they partnered with the City of Modesto – Parks and Recreation.

Gay Girard – Patterson Library held the semi-annual book sale which had an increase in sales due to accepting credit card payments.

2. Library Foundation

Susan Thomas – The Library Foundation held an in-person fundraiser, Author Spotlight. For Financial Literacy there was a Money Smart Week. The Fall mail campaign is coming up. Contact Susan to get on the mailing list.

VII. Announcements – Board Members

No comments.

VIII. Agenda Building – Next meeting: January 22, 2026, at Salida Library – Community Room

IX. Correspondence – Chair

No correspondence received.

X. Adjournment – Chair

Adjourned at 6:12 p.m. Motion to adjourn Michael Lingg and Monica Brown seconded the motion.

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