

**ELECTRONIC RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**August 19, 2020**

**10:00 am**

**Meeting via Microsoft Teams**

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<https://go.sjvls.org/erc200819>

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Introductions
- III. Adoption of Agenda
- IV. Comments from the Public
- V. Approval of Minutes from June 3, 2020 (Attachment 1)
- VI. Projects for Discussion & Action
  - A. Discussion: Gale resources
  - B. Discussion: Budget update
  - C. Discussion: cloud library and ebooks
  - D. Discussion: California State Library K-12 Online Content Project resources
- VII. Set date of next meeting: tentatively October 21, 2020
- VIII. Adjournment

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2420 Mariposa Street  
Fresno, CA 93721

**Electronic Resources Committee Meeting Minutes (Draft)**

**Wednesday, June 3, 2020**

**Meeting Via Microsoft Teams**

**Present:** Nathan Boyer (SJVLS, Chair,) Rebecca Adams (Mariposa,) Clarisa Bernabe (Fresno,) Smruti Deshpande (Merced,) Heather Eddy (Kern,) Tamara Evans (Kings,) Erika Hawkyard (Tulare County,) Mary Jo Lawrence (Madera,) Maria Marquez (Tulare Public)

**Absent:** Nathan Vosburg (Coalinga-Huron)

**Others Present:** April Angel (Gale,) Chris Wymer (SJVLS)

- I. The meeting was called to order at 11:02 AM by Nathan Boyer.
- II. Introductions were given by all.
- III. Adoption of Agenda – The agenda was approved as written.
- IV. Comments from the Public – None.
- V. Approval of Minutes from April 15, 2020 (Attachment 1) – The minutes were approved as written.
- VI. Projects for Discussion & Action
  - A. Discussion: Gale resources: implementation, marketing, training

Angel shared with the committee that although she is the main contact person for the overall SJVLS consortium Gale account, each member library also has a separate Gale account representative. Boyer informed the committee that he has received Gale database URLs from Angel and has tentatively plans to email these URLs to ERC members on June 15 so that each branch can be able to make a smooth transition from EBSCO databases to Gale databases. Gale database access will be available on July 1 and access to EBSCO databases will cease on July 31 so this will provide an overlap of databases to the public. Bernabe asked Angel about training for staff and Angel replied that the customer success manager is working on creating cumulative database trainings as well as specific database training. Angel added that if she is permitted to travel, she would like to schedule an in-person training session in October.

Eddy and Bernabe asked Angel about marketing materials such as bookmarks and blurbs for database descriptions. Angel relied by referring committee members to the Gale support website which contains marketing materials including bookmarks, blurbs for databases as well as training videos and tutorials. Boyer stated that each library will receive a personalized location ID and Angel added that with the location ID, this will take the user to a webpage with their library specific databases as well as will assist with gathering statistics in the future.
  - B. Discussion: Potential system-wide resources

Boyer shared that the admin council is meeting on Friday, June 5 and that

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their meeting agenda did not list a discussion about allocation of funds for additional system-wide resources. Boyer asked committee members for suggestions of resources if admin council provided committee with funds for additional system-wide resources. Marquez asked Boyer for clarification on if the committee had not already created a list of suggestions for additional system-wide resources at a past meeting. Boyer replied yes and asked committee members if their libraries would benefit from having a coding resource. Several committee members expressed that their libraries would not benefit from having a coding resource. Wymer commented that a coding resource could be staff intensive and the library would need staff with experience in programming to support it.

Boyer shared that the member libraries previously expressed interest in system-wide resources in categories including genealogy, self-publishing, streaming music/video and resources for children. Eddy asked Bernabe about her library's experience with Biblioboard (a self-publishing resource.) Bernabe replied that due to lack of use, her library discontinued offering Biblioboard. Wymer suggested that the committee look for more recreational system-wide electronic resources to supplement the already robust database collection and mentioned BLUEcloud Mobile for kids which provides a child friendly interface, reading wish list and games to encourage children to read. Boyer asked committee members to look for recreational system-wide electronic resources in preparation for the August meeting.

- VII. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, August 19, 2020 Via Microsoft Teams.
- VIII. The meeting adjourned at 11:58 AM.