MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m.

B. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Members Present: Heather Eddy (Kern), Ashley Nuhfer (Kings), Alma Madrigal-Ward (Madera), Smruti Deshpande (Merced), Yer Vang (Tulare County), Maria Marquez (Tulare Public)

Absent: Nathan Vosburg (Coalinga-Huron), Alyssa Furin (Fresno) Kelly Jo Jones (Mariposa)

Others Present: None

C. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as written.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF June 16, 2022 (Attachment 1)

Motion: Deshpande (Merced)
Second: Eddy (Kings)
The minutes were approved.

F. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION

1. DISCUSSION and ACTION: Continuing Teleconferences

The California Department of Public Health has not made any changes to the recommendations shared at the August meeting. DPH continues to recommend the use of masks, regardless of vaccination status. Governor’s State of Emergency order remains in effect. Cases continue to increase in California. All of those meet the conditions identified in the modified Brown Act. Member libraries are still holding virtual meetings with staff. Many staff continue to wear masks when working with the public.

Deshpande (Merced) motioned to continue meeting virtually under the modified Brown Act. Marquez (Tulare Public) second.

Ayes: Eddy (Kern), Nuhfer (Kings), Madrigal-Ward (Madera), Deshpande (Merced), Vang (Tulare County), Marquez (Tulare Public)
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Vosburg (Coalinga-Huron), Furin (Fresno), Jones (Mariposa)
The committee will reexamine conditions and recommendations at the next meeting in no more than 30 days.

G. STATUS UPDATE ON SYSTEM RESOURCES

The System Office is not currently working toward implementation of the State Library’s E-books for All California/Palace Project. We've had questions about what is required of SJVLS to access content from other libraries and whether that is worthwhile. Chris Wymer has expressed concerns about how patron data is accessed during authentication. Those concerns have been shared with directors at Admin Council.

The State Library’s CAreer Pathways resources have been extended through September 2024. Boyer will share information with Madera.

Boyer would still like to schedule a presentation with hoopla so the committee can look at hoopla’s consortium product. Trying to schedule something for the final week of September.

The committee discussed marketing of resources during the August meeting. Boyer spoke with Wymer as to the possibility of offering marketing efforts at the system level. Wymer mentioned SirsiDynix’s Community Engagement Platform (CEP) as a possible solution. CEP connects to Horizon and would allow libraries to query borrower data, develop lists for marketing emails, can promote events, etc. Merced is in the process of implementing CEP and may be able to provide feedback on usage by November. Committee members are interested in a demo/presentation in October.

Usage stats for last fiscal year are accessible on OneDrive/Sharepoint. Boyer will make sure that Madera’s stats are available for Madrigal-Ward.

H. CALENDAR ITEMS

Set the date and agenda building for the next meeting, tentatively October 6, 2022 on Microsoft Teams

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Eddy has been promoted to Branch Supervisor. Will continue as Kern’s ERC representative.

Madrigal-Ward was introduced as Madera’s new ERC representative.

Nuhfer promoted to Librarian II and will continue as Kings’ ERC representative.

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.