MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

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

B. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Members Present: Nathan Vosburg (Coalinga-Huron), Alyssa Furin (Fresno), Heather Eddy (Kern), Ashley Nuhfer (Kings), Alma Madrigal-Ward (Madera), Yer Vang (Tulare County)

Absent: Matt Johnson (Mariposa), Smruti Deshpande (Merced), Maria Marquez (Tulare Public)

Others Present: None

C. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as written.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF December 1, 2022 (Attachment 1)

Motion: Nuhfer (Kings)
Second: Madrigal-Ward (Madera)

The minutes were approved.

F. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION

1. DISCUSSION and ACTION: Continuing Teleconferences

Boyer stated there has been no new guidance or recommendations from the California Department of Public Health since the last meeting. All counties in SJVLS service area are in “medium” levels of transmission and hospitalization, except Kern (low) and Kings (high). CDC and CA DPH encourage general precautions in areas of low transmission and infection, encourages masks for high-risk individuals in medium level communities, and recommends masks in high level communities. Fresno Central library remains in outbreak status. Staff are required to wear masks. During outbreaks, Cal/OSHA requires masks indoors and outdoors if distancing cannot be maintained. Necessary conditions still exist to allow teleconference meetings under the modified Brown Act. Continuing to meet via teleconference would support libraries in higher incidence communities and those with the strictest guidelines. Nuhfer (Kings) reported high numbers in Kings County. The library has not changed policies on programs. Staff and public can choose to wear masks. Vang (Tulare County) shared that two staff members have just returned from illness.
Eddy (Kern) motioned to continue meeting virtually under the modified Brown Act. Nuhfer (Kings) second.
Ayes: Furin (Fresno), Eddy (Kern), Nuhfer (Kings), Madrigal-Ward (Madera), Vang (Tulare County)
Noes: Vosburg (Coalinga-Huron)
Abstain: None
Absent: Johnson (Mariposa), Deshpande (Merced), Marquez (Tulare Public)
The committee will reexamine conditions and recommendations at the next meeting in no more than 30 days.

G. STATUS UPDATE ON SYSTEM RESOURCES

Boyer is collecting OverDrive account information and will share that with the Palace Project once all member libraries are included. Approximately half of the libraries have responded and/or provided information.
Boyer will forward an email regarding the updates to the State Library's CAreer Pathways resources.

H. CALENDAR ITEMS

Set the date and agenda building for the next meeting, tentatively January 12, 2023 on Microsoft Teams

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:13 a.m.