DRAFT MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

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

B. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Members Present: Alyssa Furin (Fresno), Heather Eddy (Kern), Smruti Deshpande (Merced), Yer Vang (Tulare County), Maria Marquez (Tulare Public)

Members Absent: Nathan Vosburg (Coalinga-Huron), Ashley Nuhfer (Kings), Alma Madrigal-Ward (Madera), Matt Johnson (Mariposa)

Others Present: Tony Arellano (Porterville)

C. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as written.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 20, 2023 (Attachment 1)

Motion: Marquez (Tulare Public)
Second: Deshpande (Merced)
The minutes were approved by majority vote. Eddy (Kern) abstained.

F. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION

1. DISCUSSION: Patron Survey on Electronic Resources

Boyer presented a draft survey to collect patron preferences on electronic resources offered systemwide. Committee members discussed the length of some questions. Boyer suggested it was important to explain certain terms to make sure patrons understand exactly what we’re asking about. Committee members agreed with detailed explanations and acknowledged that the length of the survey is noted upfront. Boyer will move the survey into Forms so it can be made available to patrons via ValleyCat as system office did with the ebook survey. We could also provide a link if any members wanted to post the survey on social media. Boyer will share final version of the survey with committee members before it becomes available to patrons.

2. DISCUSSION: cloudLibrary

Boyer budget has been reduced from $83K to $51K. Reduced CLSA funds are main reason. Can start purchasing early in July. Furin (Fresno), Deshpande (Merced), and
Vang (Tulare County) will continue to select titles. Eddy (Kern) and Marquez (Tulare Public) also willing to help.

Eddy asked about the impact of Palace Project commitments on cloudLibrary budgeting for FY 2023-24. Boyer shared that the State Library offered a funding opportunity for an audiobook collection to be shared statewide via Palace Project. Funding that collection would have impacted our already reduced cloudLibrary budget. Admin Council did not approve the funding. SJVLS is not participating in collection development for Palace during the upcoming fiscal year. The system ebook budget is entirely dedicated to cloudLibrary.

3. DISCUSSION: Stats for State Library Report

Boyer discussed the upcoming State Library report. The system office wants to provide statistics to help member libraries complete the report. Furin, Vang, and Arellano (Porterville) will need access to usage statistics. Marquez indicated that Tulare Public has a new librarian to work on stats and reporting and will need access. Eddy said that Kern is interested in as many stats as are available. Boyer to follow up with Marquez and Eddy about specific needs.

G. STATUS UPDATE ON SYSTEM RESOURCES

None

H. CALENDAR ITEMS

The next meeting will tentatively be held on August 17, 2023 at the Visalia Library.

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:52 a.m.