



AGENDA

GUERNEVILLE LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD (LAB) meeting

WEDNESDAY, March 13, 2024 @ 7pm

Guerneville Regional Library
14107 Armstrong Woods Road, Guerneville, CA 95446

PUBLIC ACCESS

All members of the public and LAB who wish to observe or participate in this LAB meeting can do so via Zoom using Meeting ID # 677 182 8192.

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1. CONVENING & INTRODUCTIONS

Present: Gail Culverwell, Aristotle Salerno, Deborah Zant, Terry Gwiazdowski, Eve Goldberg,
Sarah Laggos, Barbara Maes, Melanie McCallum

Not present:

Members of the Public present: Franceen Levy

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Franceen Levy expressed interest in joining the Guerneville LAB.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PRIOR MEETING

4. REPORTS & UPDATES

4.a Library Director's Report: SCL celebrates Women's History Month with events, displays and booklists. SCL is engaged in Speakers Bureau Outreach—staff is actively doing library presentations throughout the county.

4.b Library Commissioners' Report(s): Announcement about the All-LAB meeting on Saturday, April 27. Encouraged the LAB to set plans and goals for the LAB. Encouraged LAB members to review the JPA.

4.c. Branch Manager's Report: More than 50 programs in Jan-Mar

Children/Families:

Program - 2/22 African Music and Arts interactive program – 52 attendees included a 4th and 5th grade class from Monte Rio School, toddlers with parents and grandparents, a group of neuro diverse adults from Rohnert Park, and seniors from the community.

Guerneville Children's Librarian continues to host storytime once per month at Forestville Library in addition to her weekly (today) storytimes at Guerneville Library.

Teen:

Middle school students from Monte Rio Union School are interning here. Today, they helped set up this room for Storytime and for our LAB meeting.

Adult:

(today) Outreach to Senior Center. Staff made library cards and helped seniors download ebooks to their devices.

(today) Intercambio, English Spanish language workshop – meets every week on Wednesday nights , 15-20 participants. They are usually in this room right now, but today they are at the local bookstore instead because of this meeting.

2/3: Rainbows by the River: Preserving LGBTQ+ History in West County – partnership with History & Genealogy. LGBTQ+ history talks are the most well-attended programs at Guerneville Library at 50 attendees.

\$6,500 donated to library by Russian River Pride honoring our work in Guerneville, where there is a large LGBTQIA+ community

We've planned 76 library events in the Spring. I'd like to highlight a few coming up in April: 4/6 – Community Services Storytime, all ages, 11-12 (District Supervisor Lynda Hopkins, Fire fighter, River to Coast, possibly the Food Bank); 4/7 – Patterson, film, National Poetry Month; 4/14 Tortillas and Salsa Making workshop 2-4 pm; 4/28 Japanese Folk Dance performance

Guerneville Library was one of two Sonoma County Library locations to serve as a polling place. Approximately 800 voters visited the library to vote.

4.d. River Friends Report: Preparing for annual Friends Board meeting in June, hosted at the Guerneville Senior Center and preparing for June Books & Bake Sale.

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.a. Bylaws: There are two versions. Which one is current? Does the LAB want to update the Bylaws. LAB's Bylaws from 2014 were approved by the LAB and this approval is substantiated with LAB minutes. The current Chair Gail Culverwell presented a 2019 version of the Bylaws that according to Gail were approved by the LAB. The LAB Minutes that would substantiate the approval of the 2019 version are not in the library's records. Legal Council advises that the LAB use the 2014 version because there is no documentation regarding the 2019 version. The current membership has the opportunity to update the Bylaws. Melanie passed out a document to LAB members that quotes the JPA: "B. LAB Purpose. The purpose of the LABs shall be to provide information and make recommendations to the Commission and the Library Director on matters affecting library service based on input from their respective service areas." <https://sonomalibrary.org/sites/default/files/attachments/about/JPA2014.pdf>

6. ACTION ITEMS

6.a. Terry will draft updated version of Bylaws. Gail and Terry will meet to review all versions of Bylaws.

7. MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

none

8. ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting: TBD