SANTA ROSA LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

Sonoma County Library

Wednesday, May 28, 2025, 6:00 p.m.

Rincon Valley Regional Library

6959 Montecito Blvd, Santa Rosa, CA 95409

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF January 29, 2025

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

*An opportunity for members of the public to address the Library Advisory Board; times are limited to 3 minutes and may be changed at the Library Advisory Board’s discretion.*

5. INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (30 min)

5.1. HEARING FROM OUR SANTA ROSA COMMUNITY:

***Eddie Alvaraz, Vice-mayor, City of Santa Rosa*** *(pending confirmation)*

5.2. ANNOUNCEMENTS (5 min)

April 2 Library Commission Meeting- results on *Considering New Roseland Library Funding (Pamela VH)*

*Documentary on PBS - Free for All, The Public Library (Cynthia D.)*

6. REPORTS (20 min)

*Reports are brief updates on library governance, management, programs, services and support group activities as well as City Council matters. All items are for discussion only.*

6.1. Branch Managers’ Reports

6.2. Library Director’s Report

6.3. Library Commissioners’ Report

6.4. Youth Members’ Report

6.5. Friends of the Santa Rosa Library Report

6.6. City Council Liaison Report

6.7. LAB member feedback to reports

7. ACTION ITEMS

7.1 LAB Meeting locations rotation (recognizing space constraints of the smaller branches)

Propose a rotation where LAB meetings are located:

* 1x a year at Roseland (until the new building is complete),
* 1x a year a Northwest,
* 2x a year at Central
* 2x a year at Rincon Valley

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS (45 minutes)

8.1. LAB Administration (10 minutes)

8.1.1 LAB Members - Changes and Recruitment

1. Serge Zimberoff will be stepping down after the July 30 meeting
2. Pamela Van Halsema will request reappointment but is stepping down as chair due to personal time constraints
3. Recruit new members who have the ability to do more outreach

8.1.2 Planning for the 2025 All-LAB meeting

(Director Erika Thibault requested we add this to our agenda to begin thinking about this meeting and suggestions/goals we might suggest.)

8.1.3 Joint Powers Agreement Review

8.2. Outreach opportunities - Lisa Pollack

1. Volunteering to support the Library’s outreach efforts for specific programs as organized by their staff
2. Outreach representing our work as a LAB as organized by us
   1. Recruit new LAB members
   2. Gather input from community members
   3. Share information about the library and library programs

8. 3. 2 Civic Education Programs on the Constitution, rights and system/structure of government

9. ADVISORY BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS (5 min)

9.1. Suggestions for next agenda

9.2. Request items from the Library Commission, Branch Managers or Library Director

10. FOLLOW-UP & NEXT STEPS

11. ADJOURNMENT