

MARINet Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 8, 2023



Present:

Board Chair: Lana Adlawan (MCFL)

Board: Crystal Duran (Belvedere Tiburon), Teresa Capasso (Larkspur), Anji Brenner (Mill Valley), Linda Kenton (San Anselmo), Jill Tokutomi (San Rafael), and Abbot Chambers (Sausalito).

MARINet Staff: Giao Nguyen

Adlawan called the meeting to order at 9:37 am.

- I. Roll Call/Determination of a Quorum
- II. Introduction of Guests – None
- III. Public Comment Period – None
- IV. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings (*Action*) – **Brenner moves to approve the May 2023 meeting minutes, Kenton seconds. Unanimously approved by a voice vote.**
- V. Business Topics
 - A. Designate MCFL as MNet’s Fiscal Agent (*Action*) – **Duran moves to Designate MCFL as MNet’s Fiscal Agent, Chambers seconds. Unanimously approved by a voice vote.**
 - B. RFP Staffing Consultant Selection (*Discussion*) – Adlawan discussed the selection of the RFP Staffing Consultant by the MARINet Executive Committee. The Exec Comm selected Eric Meade, from Whole Mind Strategy Group, who will be assisted by Linda Braun. The Exec Comm said they support the requested timeline, their fees are under budget, and they show “outside the box” thinking in their proposal.
- VI. Standing Agenda Items
 - A. Collaboration/Partnership (*Discussion*) –
 - Chambers has created an Overdrive cart with about \$40K of popular series titles. He encourages the libraries to purchase, if they have fiscal year end funds to spare.
 - Various libraries shared their experiences with Pride Month programing.
 - Adlawan shared information on Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, which is a book gifting program that mails free books to children from birth until they begin school in participating areas. More on this topic at a future meeting.
 - B. Equity (*Discussion*) – The group discussed *Poverty, by America* by Matthew Desmond.
 - C. Systems Administrator Report (*Discussion*) – Trenary will answer any questions about the Sys Admin Report at July meeting. Chambers would like to discuss “virtual” statistics for CA Report at the July meeting.

D. Topics for Future Agenda (*Discussion*)

- CENIC (*Discussion*)
- RFID AMH (*Discussion*)
- Staffing Consultant Update (*Discussion*)
- State Library Electronic Circulation (*Discussion*)
- Imagination Library (*Discussion*)
- Statistic Reporting for the App (*Discussion*)

E. Library Announcements (*Discussion*)

- Duran – Working on RFP for strategic plan for Belvedere Tiburon library.
- Capasso - New director, Damon Hill, will start in July 11th.
- Brenner – Pride programming coming up! Summer reading program about to start.
- Kenton - Due to the recently antisemitism incidents in Ross Valley, San Anselmo is planning library programs to bring attention to the issue.
- Tokutomi – Promotion for Basia Jędruszczak to Supervising Librarian. SRPL is working on their RFP for an AMH.
- Chambers - planning and seeking funds for an ADA remodel project, working to create more browser friendly shelving, and to build different activities rooms for patrons (kids and teens). Sausalito staff will visit BET on June 19th to learn from BET's remodel experiences.
- Adlawan – MCFL has hired Margaret Sullivan Studio to lead their strategic planning process. The "Reading on the Ranches" program was mentioned in the June issue of School Library Journal. Marin County will be changing their website URL in the coming months.

Adlawan adjourned meeting at 10:55 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by MARINet Staff