Technology Committee Meeting Agenda

2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 02, 2025
Virtual Conference Information:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85462579105?pwd=pA5wPbCslMDlPZCKIirWxKs39yJs2n.1
Meeting ID: 854 6257 9105
Passcode: 891895

I. **Call to Order** (facilitator - Bjorn, recorder - Eva, attendees)
   a. Bjorn – Santa Cruz Public Libraries, Eva – Watsonville Public Library Luke- Harrison Memorial Library, Tammy Del Conte – Monterey County Free Libraries, Kim Smith – Monterey Public Library, Rachel Safa – California State University Monterey Bay

II. **Adoption of Agenda**

III. **Announcements** (updates from Libraries)
   a. CSUMB – Working with ChatGPT which is now built in as a subscription.
   b. Harrison Memorial Library – Collections & RFID. Working to join together with Monterey and Pacific Grove to merge collections and is in exploration stages.
   c. Monterey County Free Libraries – SceneTHINK - New Calendar software, same as Monterey County Weekly uses.
   d. Monterey Public Library – Collection connection program with Pacific Grove and Carmel. Got holds lockers delivered and are working through issues in compatibility with Koha. New print management system pending. City of Monterey is facing budget deficits.
   e. Santa Cruz Public Libraries – New downtown library branch which is a mixed use building has broken ground and construction has started. Has begun transition to new software from Communico that ties to the website as well as the mobile app that is in beta testing. The attend module is now live as well as the reserve module, and the website is planned to go live in the next month or two. Also launching a new strategic planning cycle and gathering feedback from stakeholders.
   f. Watsonville Public Library – No major updates.

IV. **News Discussion** (add your topic and name below)
   a. Amazon Business at ALA Conference – Luke

        i. Amazon Business launches discount pricing for libraries.

       ii. https://www.libraryjournal.com/story/amazon-business-launches-online-library-hub-discounted-books-for-libraries

           1. They are offering MARC records – not sure if up to a good standard or are AI generated?

           2. Are other libraries looking at using this service?

           3. Processing is not offered as part of their service

           4. Is only for recently released titles (up to 90 days)?

      iii. Good discussion on the potentiality and comparison with other vendors libraries currently use (Ingram, Baker&Taylor, etc).

V.   **Demos/Presentations** (add your topic and name below)

    a. Looking for 10 minute demos for future meetings to share with committee members.

    b. SCPL AI Guidelines

        i. Looking at how to move forward with AI and providing staff with guidelines for when to use it and when not to use it.

       ii. Looking to provide additional guidance for staff based on the City (Santa Cruz) AI use policy and identify and address concerns, and cover advantages and disadvantages of these tools, as well as focus on use case examples.

VI.   **MOBAC Business**

    a. Approve Minutes May 20, 2025 Minutes - Approved.

    b. MOBAC Committee Reports – None at this time.

    c. Business

        i. 2024-2025 Annual Technology Committee Report

       ii. Next event, February 27th 2026

VII.   **Public comment** - *(Individuals are allowed three minutes, groups in attendance, five minutes. It is system policy to refer matters raised in this forum to staff for further investigation or action if appropriate. The Brown Act prohibits the Administrative Council from discussing or acting on any matter not agendized pursuant to state law).*

VIII.   **Next meeting**

    a. 2pm, November 4th, 2025 on Zoom:

IX. Adjournment

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(4) each teleconference location must be identified in the notice and agenda and each location must be accessible to the public;

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(6) the agenda must provide the public with an opportunity to address the legislative body at each teleconference location. Cal. Gov't Code § 54953(b).

Virtual Conference Meeting Locations:
Harrison Memorial Library - Ocean Ave & Lincoln St, Carmel, CA 93921
Hartnell College Library - 411 Central Ave, Salinas, CA 93901
John Steinbeck Library - 350 Lincoln Avenue, Salinas, CA 93901
Marina Branch Library - 188 Seaside Circle, Marina, CA 93933
Monterey Peninsula College - 980 Fremont Street, Monterey, CA 93940
Monterey Public Library - 625 Pacific St. Monterey, CA 93940
Naval Postgraduate School - 411 Dyer Road, Monterey, CA 93943
Santa Cruz Public Libraries Downtown Branch - 224 Church Street. Santa Cruz, CA 95060
Watsonville Public Library - 275 Main Street, Watsonville CA 95076