49-99 COOPERATIVE LIBRARY SYSTEM

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, August 17, 2026
2:00 - 3:00 pm

Virtual Meeting

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Alternate Meeting Locations:
Amador County Library, 530 Sutter St., Jackson, CA 95642
Cesar Chavez Central Library, 605 N. El Dorado St., Stockton, CA 95202
Lodi Public Library, 201 W. Locust St., Lodi, CA 95240
Salida Library, 4835 Sisk Rd., Salida, CA 95368
San Andreas Central Library, 1299 Gold Hunter Rd., San Andreas, CA 95249
Tuolumne County Public Library, 480 Greenley Rd., Sonora, CA 95370

Agenda

All items may be considered for action.

1. Opening
   a. Chairperson's Welcome — Jenni Fontanilla
      Chair introduces any guests or new members.
   b. Roll Call

2. Public Forum — Jenni Fontanilla
   Opportunity for any guest or member of the public to address the Council on any item of 49-99 business that is not on the current agenda.

3. Consent Calendar — Jenni Fontanilla
   All items on the consent calendar may be approved with a single motion. Any Council member may request an item be removed from the consent calendar and placed on the agenda for discussion.
   a. Minutes of the May 7, 2026, Regular Meeting

4. Adoption of the Agenda — Jenni Fontanilla

5. CLSA Revised Plan of Service & Budget for FY 2026/27 (ACTION) — Christine Powers

6. Proposed Budget Amendment for FY 2026/27 (ACTION) — Andy Beck

7. Other — Jenni Fontanilla

8. Adjournment — Jenni Fontanilla

49-99 COOPERATIVE LIBRARY SYSTEM

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, May 7, 2026, 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Empire Public Library, 98 I Street, Empire, CA 95319

Alternate Meeting Locations:
Lodi Public Library, 201 W. Locust St., Lodi, CA 95240
Sonora Library, 480 Greenley Rd., Sonora, CA 95370
34 Gopher Flat Rd., Sitter Creek, CA 95685

Attendance
Dentan, Sarah – Stanislaus
Gazdik, Mary - Stockton-SJ
Fontanilla, Jenni – Lodi
Peterson, Liz – Tuolumne
Ramirez, Alyssa – Amador
Spragge, Jessie – Calaveras

Other
Beck, Andy – SCLC
Powers, Christine – SCLC
Tucker, Rachel – CSL
Snodgrass, Nerissa – SCLC

1. Opening
   a. Chairperson's Welcome — Jenni Fontanilla
      The meeting was called to order at 10:33 am.
   b. Roll Call

2. Public Forum — Jenni Fontanilla
   Opportunity for any guest or member of the public to address the Council on any item of 49-99 business that is not on the current agenda.
   None

3. Consent Calendar — Jenni Fontanilla

   All items on the consent calendar may be approved with a single motion. Any Council member may request an item be removed from the consent calendar and placed on the agenda for discussion.

   a. Minutes of the March 5, 2026, Regular Meeting
      MSP (Dentan/Gazdik) to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.
      5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain

   Liz Peterson joined the meeting at 10:38 am.

4. Adoption of the Agenda — Jenni Fontanilla

   None

5. Budget Status Report for FY 2025/26 (DISCUSSION) — Andy Beck

   Controller Andy Beck presented the Budget Status Report for FY 2025/26. Bank statements were reconciled through March 31, 2026.

6. Agreement w/ SCLC for Administrative and Fiscal Services (ACTION) — Christine Powers

   MSP (Dentan/Gazdik) to authorize the 49-99 Administrative Council Chair to sign the FY 2026/27 agreement with SCLC for administrative and fiscal services, with the removal of the requirement for in-person attendance at the May meeting.
   6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.

7. Clarivate Contract Renewal for LINK+ (ACTION) — Christine Powers

   MSP (Peterson/Gazdik) to authorize the Executive Director to execute a five-year agreement with Clarivate, pending final written acceptance of the negotiated termination clause.
   6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.

8. CLSA Plan of Service & Budget for FY 2026/27 (ACTION) — Christine Powers

   MSP (Peterson/Spragge) to authorize the Chair to work with staff to review and sign the FY 2026/27 CLSA Plan of Service and Budget for submission to the California State Library, with the continuation of LINK+ as the system-wide resource-sharing activity.
   6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.

9. Proposed Budget for FY 2026/27 (ACTION) — Andy Beck/ Christine Powers

   MSP (Dentan/Spragge) to approve the proposed Budget for FY 2026/27, as presented.
   6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.

10. Meeting Schedule for FY 2026/27 Christine Powers
(ACTION)
MSP(Gazdik/Peterson) to approve the following FY 2026/27 meeting schedule: Thursday, September 3, 2026; Thursday, November 3, 2026; Thursday, February 4, 2027; and Thursday, May 6, 2027.
6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.

11. State Library Report Rachel Tucker
Rachel Tucker provided the California State Library Report. Highlights included the State Digital Equity Resource Finder, the Zip Books funding opportunity, the Digital Literacy and Access opportunity, the conclusion of one-time California Library Literacy Services ESL funding, and the 2026 Summer Community Impact Report.

12. Chair's Report Jenni Fontanilla
Chair Jenni Fontanilla thanked the Council for its thoughtful discussion regarding LINK+ and expressed appreciation for the Council's work toward a solution while awaiting the Governor's final budget.

13. Roundtable Jenni Fontanilla
Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library – Mary Gazdik
Gazdik reported that the Ursula Meyer Community Center and Library had opened the previous week. She also reported that the Cesar Chavez Central Library was tentatively scheduled to close on August 1 for life-safety improvements and renovations. The city had not yet made a decision regarding a possible renaming of the library.

Calaveras County Library – Jessie Spragge
Spragge reported that the West Point Branch would close effective June 30, 2026. The branch shares space with an elementary school, and the school indicated that it could no longer accommodate the library because it needed the space for other purposes. The closure will reduce the Calaveras County Library system from eight branches to seven.

Tuolumne County Library – Liz Peterson
Peterson reported that the Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors had permanently appointed her as department head overseeing the Library and Parks and Recreation departments, in addition to her duties as Deputy County Administrative Officer. She also reported that the County plans to recruit a County Librarian through an internal recruitment process.

14. Other Jenni Fontanilla
None

15. Adjournment Jenni Fontanilla
MS (Spragge/Dentan) to adjourn the meeting at 12:19 p.m.

Cooperative Library System

Agenda Item 5

DATE: August 17, 2026
TO: 49-99 Administrative Council
FROM: Christine Powers, Executive Director, 49-99/SCLC

SUBJECT: **CLSA Revised Plan of Service and Budget FY 2026/27 (ACTION)**

BACKGROUND: At the May 7, 2026, 49-99 Cooperative Library System regular meeting, the Administrative Council approved the System's California Library Services Act (CLSA) Plan of Service and Budget for FY 2026/27, contingent upon final approval of the California State Library Board and the Governor's adopted budget. The Plan, which was submitted in June 2026, outlines how the system intends on expending funds and how those expenditures will benefit the communities served by 49-99 member libraries for this fiscal year.

The Governor's final budget, signed on June 29, 2026, included language allocating all $2.88 million allocated budget line item "6120-211-0001—For local assistance, California State Library, California Library Services Act" to support cooperative resource sharing. The original budget, as proposed in January, had allocated $1.88 million of that budget line item to cooperatives, and $1 million to the Zip Books project administered by the State Library. Although this revised allocation does not restore prior higher funding of $3.6 million to cooperatives under the CLSA, the increase in funding benefits all cooperatives. The revised statewide CLSA revised allocations are included as Exhibit "a" of this report.

The table below provides a comparison of the original and updated CLSA allocations for 49-99 this fiscal year:

FY 2026/27 CLSA ALLOCATIONS			
	Original	**Revised**	**Difference**
Baseline (Communication & Delivery)	$62,273	$95,396	$33,123
System Administration	$15,568	$23,849	$8,281
TOTAL	**$77,841**	**$119,245**	**$41,404**

In the original Plan of Service application, Council approved allocating CLSA funds towards resource sharing for LINK+. Staff recommend the additional CLSA funds also be allocated towards resource sharing for LINK+.

The State Library has also indicated that funds can be used towards Zip Books, should a cooperative wish to spend its funds in that manner. The cooperative would be responsible for implementing the Zip Books program, and would need to report the following information:

- Number of unique patrons served
- Number of Zip Books purchased
- Number of Zip Books added to a library collection
- Number of circulations of Zip Books
    - If the system can track the total number of times Zip Books during the project period were circulated after they were returned by the patron who originally requested them, the State Library recommends tracking and including that total to further demonstrate program impact.

FISCAL IMPACT: 49-99's revised CLSA preliminary system budget allocation for FY 2026/27 has been increased to $119,245 ($95,396 for the Baseline Budget and $23,849 for the System Administration Budget), a 53% increase over the original preliminary system budget allocation for this fiscal year.

This year's revised statewide allocation of $2.88 million represents 80% of the higher funding of $3.6 million cooperatives were receiving statewide in FY 2023/24 and prior. For reference, in FY 2023/24, when CLSA was funded at $3.6 million, 49-99 received $150,126 ($120,101 for the Baseline Budget, and $30,025 for the System Administration Budget).

RECOMMENDATION: Provide direction on the expenditure of the additional CLSA funds for FY 2026/27, and authorize the 49-99 Administrative Council Chair to work with SCLC staff to review and sign the revised FY 2026/27 CLSA Plan of Service and Budget for submission to the State Library.

EXHIBIT:

a. CLSA Preliminary System Budget Allocations $2,879,998 - FY 2026/27

CLSA Preliminary System Budget Allocations $2,879,998- FY 2026/27

Communications and Delivery Program

System	Baseline Budget	System Administration	Total
Black Gold	$88,176	$22,045	$ 110,221
49-99	$95,396	$23,849	$ 119,245
Inland	$232,912	$58,227	$ 291,139
NorthNet	$528,037	$132,009	$ 660,046
PLP	$450,456	$112,613	$ 563,069
SJVLS	$152,652	$38,164	$ 190,816
Santiago	$145,987	$36,496	$ 182,483
Serra	$168,685	$42,172	$ 210,857
SCLC	$441,699	$110,425	$ 552,124
Total funding	**$2,304,000**	**$576,000**	**$ 2,880,000**

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Agenda Item 6

DATE: August 17, 2026
TO: 49-99 Administrative Council
FROM: Andy Beck, Controller, 49-99/SCLC

SUBJECT: **Proposed Budget Amendment for FY 2026/27 (ACTION)**

BACKGROUND: The California Governor signed the 2026/27 state budget legislation on June 29, 2026. The budget included a reallocation of the California Library Services Act (CLSA) appropriation to increase funding to the cooperative systems by $1 million. As a result, 49-99 Cooperative Library System (System) witnessed an increase of $41,404 in CLSA funding ($33,123 Baseline and $8,281 System Administration).

Based on the adjusted CLSA appropriation, an amendment to the approved budget for FY 2026/27 is necessary. The proposed budget amendment includes increases to CLSA Baseline of $33,123, from $62,273 to $95,396 and CLSA System Administration by $8,281, from $15,568 to $23,849.

FISCAL IMPACT: A budget deficit of $23,427 is noted for FY 2026/27. The deficit will be covered by the Systems unrestricted funds.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Proposed Budget Amendment.

EXHIBITS:

a. Proposed Budget for FY 2026/27

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	Approved Budget FY 2025/26	Proposed Budget FY 2026/27	Amendment	Amended Budget FY 2026/27
Revenue				
CLSA Communications & Delivery	$ 62,194	$ 62,273	$ 33,123	$ 95,396
CLSA System Administration	15,548	15,568	8,281	23,849
Membership Dues	40,131	40,934	-	40,934
Total revenue	$ 117,873	$ 118,775	$ 41,404	$ 160,179
Communications and delivery expenses				
Resource sharing	$ 83,078	$ 83,078	$ -	$ 83,078
Delivery	55,000	57,393	-	57,393
Audit Fees	6,750	6,875	-	6,875
Office supplies	700	700	-	700
Telecommunications	2,000	2,000	-	2,000
Total communication and delivery expens	$ 147,528	$ 150,046	$ -	$ 150,046
Administative expenses				
Administration expense	$ 30,021	$ 30,060	$ -	$ 30,060
Legal	-	500	-	500
Memberships	1,800	1,800	-	1,800
Meetings/conferences/travel	1,100	1,100	-	1,100
Other	125	100	-	100
Total administrative expenses	$ 33,046	$ 33,560	$ -	$ 33,560
Summary				
Total revenue	$ 117,873	$ 118,775	$ 41,404	$ 160,179
Total expenses	180,574	183,606	-	183,606
Surplus (Deficit)	$ (62,701)	$ (64,831)	$ 41,404	$ (23,427)