

City of Salem Salem Public Library

March 8th, 2023
5:30p.m. via Zoom

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PARTICIPANTS

Board Members

Lois Stark; Francine Boullosa, Chair; Gretchen Coppedge; Sarah Bishop; Denise Duren; Mel Fuller; Joseph Romero; David Levy, Vice-Chair, Jackie Leung.

Staff

Kim Carroll, City Librarian; Clarissa Maciel-Garibay, Staff Assistant

AGENDA

1. Welcome and call to order
2. Approval of Minutes
3. Public Comment - Appearance of persons wishing to address the Board on any matter other than those which appear on this Agenda
4. Information Items
 - Teen Advisory Board (TAB) update
 - Chair's report
 - City Librarian's report
 - Friends of SPL report
 - SPL Foundation report
5. Discussion Items
6. Action Items
7. Miscellaneous Board Items
8. Adjourn

Next Meeting: April 12th, 2023

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February 2023 City Librarian's Report

Stats for January

Number of visitors to the library in January

Main: 25333

WS Branch: 1878

Number of physical items checked out/renewals:

Main: 104831

WS Branch: 1219

Number of digital items checked out:

Overdrive: 18171

Staff News

Oregon Legislative Day- Two Salem Public Library librarians attended the Oregon Library Association Legislative Day to speak to Senators and Representatives in support of local libraries.

Projects and Programs

Salem Reads was a huge hit. Programs ranged from a Comedy Open Mic Night to Oregon Humanities Conversation events. We have added Saturday Tech Talks in both English and Spanish. The final event, People Who Shaped Me Reading and Awards, was rescheduled due to weather and will take place March 7th.

The library hosted twenty-nine programs for families this month with 1189 participants. Regular programs include storytimes, Tinker Tech Time, Creative Kids, Lego party, Read to a pet, Early Readers Book Club, and Discovery Kids. Performer Greta Pederson was also onsite for a preschool performance featuring stories and songs.

The Library hosted eight programs for adults with 193 participants.

Operation Bookshelf served 65 homebound patrons receiving 363 items.

Staff recently visited local businesses to promote upcoming programs. Our February book displays featured Black History Month and Blind Date with a Book.

Did You Know?

The Library now has Chromebooks to lend out as part of our Library of Things. In addition to that, starting in March, Salem Public Library will resume circulating hotspots funded through a grant to CCRLS.

What we are Looking Forward to!

The Library closed March 2nd for an All Staff Day Training. The training featured Nicole Lance. Nicole has an extensive background in local government, with almost 13 years of direct service in local government entities, including the City of Surprise, Town of Gilbert, and City of Maricopa. She served directly as a staff member in roles such as Assistant City Manager; Deputy City Manager; Public Works Director; Intergovernmental Relations Director; Parks, Recreation & Libraries Director; Budget Manager; Budget & Long-range Financial Planning Analyst; and Assistant to the City Manager.

Nicole did both a morning and an afternoon session with staff. She provided a variety of activities that engaged staff, and spoke to the difficulty of navigating change and how to overcome the barriers of our own thought processes.

The day also included a presentation from Mark Fink highlighting the City's Wellness program. We also had time to preview some programming, including a Stranger Things Escape Room, Scavenger Hunt, Speed Friending and Jackbox Games.

Strategic Plan Updates

Strategic Plan Team Leaders met during staff day with their Imperative team and reported out briefly on what they will be focusing on as they continue with the "Get Moving" phase. Teams will have ownership over mapping each initiative and determining how each objective is achieved.