

**Salem Public Library Advisory Board  
Wednesday, February 8, 2023**

A [full recording of the current meeting](#) is available.  
Francine called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**Members present:** Gretchen Coppedge, David Levy (Vice Chairman), Francine Boullosa (Chairman), Denise Duren, Lois Stark, Joseph Romero, Mel Fuller,

**ATTENDANCE**

**Members absent:** Sarah Bishop (excused), Jackie Leung

**Guests:** Fred Wilson (City of Salem Attorney), Cady McManus (Teen Advisory Board), Riley Hurt (Teen Advisory Board), Kylie Pine (Willamette Heritage Center)

**Library staff members:** Kim Carroll, Sonja Somerville

None.

**APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS AND PUBLIC COMMENT**

Minutes were reviewed for January. Francine moved and Lois seconded that minutes be approved as amended. Motion carried

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

Teen Services Librarian, Sonja Somerville, and Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Members, Rylie and Cady provided an update on recent TAB activities. TAB has received the funding for the Seed Library Project and will be starting the project soon. In January TAB hosted a successful board game extravaganza event.

**TAB Report**

Francine submitted a written chair's report to the agenda packet for the current meeting. Francine shared she was unable to attend the recent city council meeting. She submitted a letter to the city recorder, the mayor, Councilmen Stapleton, and Kim expressing concern with the recent pedestrian safety and transportation plan. Francine also expressed concern to Julie Warncke, the transportation plan manager. Julie has agreed to bring the issue to the transit district staff regarding the library/city hall's pedestrian safety. The library was managed by the Community Development department and is now being managed by the City Mangers' office.

**Chair's Report**

Kim answered questions from the group regarding the February City Librarian's Report. Several programs scheduled for the month of February for Salem Reads.

**City Librarian's Report**

No Friends' report was shared at the current meeting.

**Friends Report**

Gretchen shared a report on Salem Public Library Foundation activities. The Foundation Art Hall has an exhibit of local artists expressing their

**Foundation Report**

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representation of the Salem Read's book, Born a Crime, through their art.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Kylie shared an update on the Willamette Heritage Historic Project and answered questions from LAB. Through the memorandum of understanding the Willamette Heritage Center will be providing LAB with an update regarding the Salem Historical Website project every six months.

**Willamette Heritage  
Historic Project  
(Kylie Pine)**

Francine welcomed the former city council member Jackie Leung to the Library Advisory Board. She was unable to attend the current meeting.

**Welcome new LAB  
member (Francine)**

Lois listened the stellar presentation by Parks and Recreation to city council. Lois suggested that with the recent updates that allows boards to present to city council LAB may want to provide a presentation in the future.

**City Council  
Presentation (Lois)**

Sonja shared the Salem Public Library's history with teen interns. She also shared how the fund was acquired for these positions and answered questions from the group. Sonja would like two teen summer interns for the next round. The hope is that one would be funded by the city and proposed that the second be funded by LAB. David shared some potential guidelines for LAB to provided funding for future projects and answered questions from the group.

**LAB funds (David)**

**ACTION ITEMS**

**MISC BOARD ITEMS**

The next board meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 5:30 PM, via Zoom. The meeting adjourned at 6:57p.m.

**NEXT MEETING &  
ADJOURNMENT**

Submitted by: Clarissa Maciel-Garibay, Staff Assistant