

**Salem Public Library Advisory Board  
Wednesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

A [full recording of the current meeting](#) is available.  
Francine called the meeting to order at 5:35p.m.

**Members present:** Gretchen Coppedge, David Levy (Vice Chair), Francine Boulosa (Chair), Lois Stark, Sarah Bishop, Valerie Harris, Matthew Jobson

**Members absent:** None.

**Guests:** Marc Weinstein (City of Salem Attorney), Oliver Kirchner (Teen Advisory Board), Riley Hurt (Teen Advisory Board)

**Library staff members:** Bridget Esqueda, Sonja Somerville, Clarissa Maciel-Garibay

None.

Minutes were reviewed for May. Lois moved and David seconded that minutes be approved as amended. Motion carried. Minutes were reviewed for July. David moved and Lois seconded that minutes be approved as amended. Motion carried

Teen Services Librarian, Sonja Somerville, and Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Members, Riley Hurt and Oliver Kirchner provided an update on recent TAB activities. TAB hosted several panel interviews for the new TAB members and the new board members will be joining TAB in September. TAB will be hosting a Find Your Voice Summer Party on August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Sonja gave an update on the teen internships and introduced Oliver who is one of the summer teen interns. Oliver shared some of the projects they worked on this summer.

Francine shared a report on recent LAB Chair activities and answered questions from the group. Denise sent Francine an email stating she is resigning from the board.

Bridget answered questions from the group regarding the August City Librarian's Report.

Francine shared that the Friends have four new members on their board. The Friends have volunteer opportunities open and the application is available on their website. They have an open job posting for a manager for the bookstore.

No report was shared at the current meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ATTENDANCE**

**APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS AND PUBLIC COMMENT**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

**TAB Report**

**Chair's Report**

**City Librarian's Report**

**Friends Report**

**Foundation Report**

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**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Francine introduced and welcomed new LAB members Valerie Harris and Matthew Jobson.

**New LAB members intro (Francine)**

Gretchen resigned as the Foundation liaison. Francine announced the election will be at the September meeting and the nomination process will be open until the September meeting.

**Foundation Liaison (Bridget)**

Willamette Heritage provided their progress on the historical project. Francine answered questions from the group.

**Willamette Heritage project object update (Francine)**

This item was moved to the September LAB meeting.

**Public Meeting Law (Marc)**

Bridget shared that due to the payroll tax, the recruiting plans for the new city librarian position have paused.

**City Librarian hiring update and Payroll Tax (Bridget)**

Francine asked LAB members to send her way any questions they have for Scott Archer.

**LAB members' questions for Scott Archer (Francine)**

Lois would like to see the Foundation, Friends, and LAB find a way to unite to provide advocacy for the library. Her vision is for the three groups to have a meeting.

**Advocacy for funding and Library support boards meeting (Lois)**

Francine shared to LAB that there are no LAB meetings in July or December.

**Meeting schedule (Francine)**

Francine shared with the group that elections will occur at the September meeting.

**September elections (Francine)**

**ACTION ITEMS**

David moved to make update to the agenda and add the Willamette Heritage project object update to the informational items and Lois second. Motion carried.

**Willamette Heritage project object update**

Francine appointed Sarah as the interim Foundation Liaison until the September meeting and Lois seconded. Motion carried.

**Foundation Liaison Interim**

**MISC BOARD ITEMS**

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The next board meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023 5:30 PM, at the Salem Public Library Boardroom 585 Liberty St S.E. Salem, OR 97301. The meeting adjourned at 6:43p.m. **NEXT MEETING & ADJOURNMENT**

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