

**Salem Public Library Advisory Board
Wednesday, January 12, 2022**

A [full recording of the current meeting](#) is available.

Lois called the meeting to order at 5:32p.m.

Members present: Gretchen Coppedge, Katherine Daniels (Vice Chairman), Francine Boullosa, Denise Duren, Stephen Rosen, Lois Stark (Chairman)

Members absent: Sarah Bishop (excused), Callen Sterling (excuse)

Guests: Carol Voeller (Friends of Salem Public Library), Amador Aguilar (ENLACE Director), Michelle Teed (City of Salem Attorney)

Library staff members: Kim Carroll, Sonja Somerville, Clarissa Maciel-Garibay

None.

Minutes were reviewed for November. Gretchen moved and Denise seconded that minutes be approved as amended. Motion carried

Teen Services Librarian, Sonja Somerville, and Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Members, Erin Montgomery and Samantha Hart provided an update on recent TAB activities. The new *These Amazing Books* recommendations list is on display in the Teen Scene. TAB members have returned to in person volunteering. TAB helped pack Salem Reads Book Giveaway bags and Crystal Snowflakes Take & Make kits for January.

Lois submitted a written chair's report to the agenda packet for the current meeting. Lois shared a report on recent LAB Chair activities. Katherine, Denise, Lois, and Gretchen will be attending the PLA conference in Portland, Oregon. Bill Distad submitted his resignation to the Library Advisory Board.

Kim answered questions from the group regarding the January City Librarian's Report. Kim shared that LAB's donation to the Willamette Heritage Center historical website project is being reviewed by the City of Salem Legal team and they remain in communication with the Willamette Heritage Center legal team.

Carol shared a report on the Friends of Salem Public Library activities. The Friends are working to improve the donation procedure. The Friends next board meeting will be in February to review the Salem Public Library budget request.

Gretchen shared a report on Salem Public Library Foundation activities.

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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The Salem Reads books giveaway event was successful. No Foundation meeting occurred in December.

Amador is the director of the organization ENLACE dedicated to teaching Latino culture and providing educational support for adults/children. Amador and his family are former Salem Public Library volunteers. ENLACE works with local schools and hopes to collaborate with Salem Public Library in the future.

The Strategic Plan will be resuming in March and April. In preparation for the resumption, names are being collected to set up the focus groups. If LAB members have any suggestions contact Kim Carroll or Norm Wright. The results of the Strategic Plan survey are with Coraggio and will not be shared with the public during this phase of the project.

Kim shared that the LAB minutes will be done in a sort summary form. LAB members are welcome to send in their meeting minutes corrections prior to the meeting. If anyone would like more information on the LAB meetings, they are welcome to listen and watch the recording on the Salem Public Library Youtube channel.

Lois wrote a testimony to the Salem Infrastructure Bond Steering committee in December to fund more Salem Public Library branches. Lois testimony is in the agenda packet for the January 12th, 2022 meeting.

Denise shared a list of Wild Ideas for LAB to review in November. Each LAB member shared their top 3 favorite ideas with the group.

Katherine shared that every fall LAB receives the Library statistical report. The state library recently updated the statistical report to a format where it only displays data for the current fiscal year and not the previous year as well. Due to COVID, the temporarily relocation at Broadway, and the changes in the format of the report Katherine had no trend information to report to LAB.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

ENLACE (Amador Aguilar)

Library Strategic Plan Update (Kim)

LAB Minutes (Kim)

Infrastructure Bond Steering Committee Update (Lois)

Wild Ideas (Denise)

Library Statistical Report (Lois)

ACTION ITEMS

MISC BOARD ITEMS

The next board meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 9th, 2022 5:30 PM, via Zoom. The meeting adjourned at 7:05p.m.

NEXT MEETING & ADJOURNMENT

Submitted by: Clarissa Maciel-Garibay, Staff Assistant