

**Salem Public Library Advisory Board**  
**Wednesday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

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

Lois called the meeting to order at 5:36p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**Members present:** Lois Stark (Chairman), Katherine Daniels (Vice Chairman), Bill Distad, Sarah Bishop, Callen Sterling, Francine Boullosa, Stephen Rosen, Denise Duren

**ATTENDANCE**

**Members absent:** Gretchen Coppedge

**Guests:** Carol Voeller (Friends of Salem Public Library), Piper Martin (Teen Advisory Board), Riley Hurt (Teen Advisory Board), Michelle Teed (City of Salem Attorney), Marc Weinstein, (City of Salem Attorney), Kylie Pine (Willamette Heritage Center), Kimberli Fitzgerald (Historic Preservation Program Manager)

**Library staff members:** Sarah Strahl, Sonja Somerville, Clarissa Maciel-Garibay

None.

**APPEARANCE OF  
INTERESTED  
CITIZENS AND  
PUBLIC COMMENT**

Minutes were reviewed for the March 10, 2021, meeting. Sarah Bishop moved and Francine seconded that minutes be approved with the voted upon additions. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES**

**INFORMATION  
ITEMS**

Teen Services Librarian, Sonja Somerville, and Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Members Piper and Riley, provided an update on recent TAB activities. TAB members, with support from the Salem Public Library Foundation, created Staff Appreciation gift bags for each member of the Salem Public Library team for National Library Workers Day. TAB members wrote messages and made craft items that were tucked into the bags along with some treats.

TAB members were participants and breakout room helpers for two Journal Comic Workshops offered during Spring Break, taught by professional cartoonist and illustrator Jonathan Hill. This is one of the Arts Workshops for tweens and teens that will be funded this year by a grant from the Marion Cultural Development Corporation, administered by the Salem Public Library Foundation. Another reason to thank the Salem Public Library Foundation – a Sprinkles grant! The Teen Advisory Board was approved for funds to set up a Music Exploration Station to be part of the new Teen Scene hangout area. The station will provide access to a selection of musical instruments to use in the Teen area either for practice or to make music to share with other visitors.

**TAB Report**

No Chair's Report was shared at the current meeting.

**Chair's Report**

Sarah answered questions from the group regarding the April City Librarian's Report. Marc Weinstein introduced the new Salem Public Library

**City Librarian's  
Report**

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attorney advisor Michelle Teed. City Legal responsibilities have shifted and Marc will be advising other city clients. Sarah announces the new deputy city librarian is Kim Carroll. Kim was previously worked in Maricopa County, Arizona. Her first day will be April 26<sup>th</sup>.

No Friends report was shared at the current meeting.

**Friends Report**

No Foundation report was shared at the current meeting. Sarah shared there was a donation of \$375,000 to the Foundation in the form of an IRA

**Foundation Report**

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Kylie Pine (Willamette Heritage Center) and Kimberli Fitzgerald (Historic Preservation Program Manager) were present at the meeting to discuss the history and functions of the historical preservation website that is currently offline. LAB members had the opportunity to have their various questions answered by both Kylie and Kimberli.

**Salem Historic  
Project Report (Lois)**

Lois and Katherine created a letter for the LAB to propose to the Salem Budget committee expressing the need for additional library funding. Lois stated the library is underfunded. The document was shared with all the LAB members.

**Salem Budget  
Process (Lois)**

Katherine shared that the purpose of the April 3<sup>rd</sup> subcommittee meeting was for them to familiarize themselves with the library's in preparation for the development of the strategic plan.

**Strategic Plan  
subcommittee  
Report (Lois)**

**ACTION ITEMS**

Katherine made a motion to approve the letter for the City budget committee with the proposed revisions stated and Francine seconded. The motion was carried unanimously.

**Salem Budget  
Process document  
(Lois)**

Katherine made a motion that the Salem Public Library Advisory Board provide \$10,000 in matching funds to the Willamette Heritage Center in pursuit of the online history project to be funded from the lowest funded LAB account and Denise seconded. The motion was carried unanimously.

**Salem Historic  
Project Vote**

**MISC BOARD ITEMS**

The next board meeting will be Wednesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021, 5:30 PM, via ZOOM. The meeting adjourned at 7:11p.m.

**NEXT MEETING &  
ADJOURNMENT**

Submitted by: Clarissa Maciel-Garibay, Staff Assistant