

**Salem Public Library Advisory Board
Wednesday, February 13, 2019**

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

Nick called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Members present: Bill Distad, Francine Boullosa, Harry Iwatsuki, Lois Stark, Louise Newswanger, Nick Wood, Sigrid Olsen, Callen Sterling

ATTENDANCE

Members absent: Jeff Skrysak (excused)

Guests: John Goodyear (Executive Director, CCRLS)

Library staff members: Sarah Strahl, Rebecca Gabert, Christopher Rumbaugh, Emily Byers

Minutes were reviewed for January 9, 2019. Nick moved and Lois seconded that minutes be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Nick moved to set in place procedural time limits (3 minutes per person) on public comment that mirror those used at Salem City Council meetings. Bill seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Appearances made by the following members of the public. All public comments were related to the Collection Development Report delivered during the current meeting:

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS AND PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Schepcke, Ward 2
Jane Cummins-Fidler, Salem, OR
Ann Bornholdt, Salem, OR
Rich Schieber, 3265 Azalea Dr.
Virginia Green, No ward/address provided
Eleanor Berry, Lyons, OR
Sharon Schieber, Salem, OR
Zachery Cardoso, Ward 2
Susan Watkins, 2025 18th NE
Esther Moberg, Seaside, OR
Ellen Stevens, No ward/address provided
Kay Carman, No ward/address provided
Jeremiah Miller, Watergate Ct. S
Russ Beaton, Ward 2

Nick moved to alter the current meeting's agenda such that agenda section 5 (Discussion Items) may occur before agenda section 4 (Information Items). Lois seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

The following LAB Members addressed specific questions to SPL staff regarding collection development practices: Nick, Lois, Harry, Louise, Francine, and Sigrid. The following SPL staff provided responses: Emily Byers, Senior Librarian; Sarah Strahl, City Librarian; Rebecca Gabert, Senior Librarian.

Collection Development

John Goodyear (CCRLS) talked about discrepancies in print material counts.

Nick allowed Jim Schepcke to deliver additional comments in response to John Goodyear's statements.

Nick moved to take a short break at 6:47. Lois seconded.

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Motion passed unanimously. At 7:01, Nick called the meeting back to order.

Sarah asked LAB members to discuss how they would like to receive statistical reports on library programs and services. Lois suggested moving this topic to the LAB's next meeting to allow LAB members time to brainstorm suggestions.

Sharing Library Outcomes and Statistics

Sarah provided some updates on the ongoing seismic upgrade project.

Seismic Project updates

Louise moved that the Salem Public Library Advisory Board recommend to Salem City Council that the Salem Public Library administration continue full implementation of the Library's Collection Development Policy as had been conducted prior to the December 2018 limited stoppage of weeding efforts. Lois seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Lois moved that the Salem Public Library Advisory Board recommend to Salem City Council that Salem Public Library staff research a method to accurately record the number of books discarded and the reason each book has been discarded. Harry seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Nick encouraged attendance at the upcoming Seismic Upgrade Design Open House on February 19, 2019 at the Main Library.

Chair's Report

Sarah answered questions from LAB Members regarding the February City Librarian's Report.

City Librarian's Report

No Friends of Salem Public Library Report was shared at the current meeting.

Friends Report

Lois said that the most recent SPLF Board Meeting was canceled.

Foundation Report

No Teen Advisory Board Report was shared at the current meeting.

TAB Report

None. See above for motions related to discussion items.

ACTION ITEMS

None.

MISC BOARD ITEMS

The next board meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 13, 5:30 PM, location TBD. Nick moved to adjourn the current meeting. Lois seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

NEXT MEETING & ADJOURNMENT

Submitted by: Lilly Gamaney, Staff Assistant