



City of Salem Salem Public Library

January 11th, 2023

5:30p.m. Salem Public Library Boardroom

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PARTICIPANTS

Board Members

Lois Stark; Francine Boullosa, Chair; Gretchen Coppedge; Sarah Bishop; Denise Duren; Mel Fuller; Joseph Romero; David Levy, Vice-Chair.

Staff

Kim Carroll, City Librarian; Clarissa Maciel-Garibay, Staff Assistant

AGENDA

1. Welcome and call to order
2. Approval of Minutes
3. Public Comment - Appearance of persons wishing to address the Board on any matter other than those which appear on this Agenda
4. Information Items
 - Teen Advisory Board (TAB) update
 - Chair's report
 - City Librarian's report
 - Friends of SPL report
 - SPL Foundation report
5. Discussion Items
 - LAB Vacancy (Kim)
 - Strategic Plan Summary (Kim)
 - LAB Funds (David)
 - Bond Update (Francine)
 - Willamette Heritage Project (Francine)
 - Dolly Parton Imagination Library Update (Francine)
6. Action Items
7. Miscellaneous Board Items
8. Adjourn

Next Meeting: February 8th, 2023

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November 2022 City Librarian's Report

Stats for October

Number of visitors to the library in October: 27452

Main: 25592

WS Branch: 1860

Number of physical items checked out: 106,960

Main: 104338

WS Branch: 2622

Digital items checked out: 23482

cloudLibrary: 5722

Overdrive: 17760

No Card No Problem: 196

Staff News

We are recruiting for both of our open supervisor positions. The Access and Acquisitions supervisor will oversee Technical Services, as well as, other special collections including the Library of Things. The Learning and Development supervisor will oversee Adult Services, and develop training and learning opportunities both externally and internally.

Special Projects and Programs

The library's adult craft programs continue to be popular, with signup lists full and many people waitlisted. November's craft was rag wreaths that used recycled fabrics from local thrift stores. 45 people attended and had a grand time being creative and connecting with one another. Another program, Craft and Chat, created book turkeys/peacocks. This casual program allows adults to drop in, socialize, and create a simple craft. We had 8 participants fold books into birds.

November was a busy month for the librarian serving homebound community members: 454 items were personally delivered by Assistance League volunteers and 518 books were brought to senior living facilities.

We welcomed “Instituto de Cultura Oregoniana” with the presentation “Los Origenes Hispanos de Oregon” discussion where we had several important members including Mexican Consulate Monica Ochoa Palomera to talk about the importance of Hispanic roots and history in Oregon. Over 50 audience members attended the discussion and enjoyed refreshments and networking afterward.

Throughout the month of November we again asked people to share what they are thankful for in our Gallery of Gratitude. We hosted a Gallery of Gratitude both online and in person. There are examples below of what folks shared. You can view the complete online Gallery here: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/mDWgNkahyMF4Exwr6>



Do you TikTok? Then you should follow the Salem Public Library! <https://bit.ly/3CbJ42y>

Strategic Plan Update

The Strategic Plan went to the City Council as an Information Item on November 28th. The “Get Moving” phase begins in January. Staff will attend two 3 hour training sessions with Coraggio on how to facilitate a team around the five imperatives. Staff will be made up of Teams that will work on prioritizing and implementing each Strategic Initiative.

December 2022 City Librarian's Report

Stats for November

Number of visitors to the library in November

Main: 23144

WS Branch: 1809

Number of physical items checked out:

Main: 107515

WS Branch: 1005

Number of digital items checked out:

Overdrive: 18649

Cloudlibrary:

Staff News

The library said goodbye to one of our SLA staff members, Armando Trujillio- who has joined the City IT department. We wish him the best of luck in his new position!

Adult Services was happy to welcome Priscilla Gaspar to the team as the new Bilingual Librarian! Priscilla is moving over from her previous position in Youth Services. The group is looking forward to expanding programming and outreach to our Spanish-speaking community members!

Special Projects and Programs

The library brought home their newly designed and wrapped outreach van that was paid for by the ARPA grant. City Fleet worked hard to procure the van and worked with Tualatin-based Pacific Truck Colors to retrofit it to easily transport materials and host visitors at programs across the city. Community members had voted on a design for the van, which highlights Oregon/Salem life and library connections. Staff are excited to get rolling!

Youth Services staff offered a variety of programs throughout the month of December, including Read to a Pet, Lego Party, Discovery Kids Preschool Activities, Creative Kids After-school activities, and our monthly Early Readers

Book Club for grades K - 2. Youth Services staff also offered several programs for kids and families during the winter break. Cozy Winter Crafts enabled kids and their grown-ups to spend some time “making” together. Magician Richard Jenkins provided an exciting magic performance to a completely “sold-out” Loucks auditorium, and returned the next day for an interactive magic workshop for kids in grades 3 - 5.

ARPA funds enabled library staff to invite L.A.-based bilingual singer/songwriter Nathalia for a special Spanish-language performance at the library, and to offer a 2nd performance at Grant Community School, which is one of Salem-Keizer School District’s Spanish-language immersion schools.

Library staff flexed their readers’ advisory muscles this year, creating 160 personalized reading lists for library patrons in 2022, a new record. Patrons are invited to fill out the Book Match survey online, and will receive a custom list of reading suggestions based on their preferences. Staff will even place holds on materials for patrons if they would like.