



PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD AGENDA



Tuesday, May 23, 2023

At 5:15 p.m.

This meeting includes in-person and virtual participation.

Conference Room, Albany Public Library

2450 14th Avenue SE

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1. Call to order
2. Roll call
3. Business from the public

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4. Approval of April 25, 2023 minutes. [Pages 2-3]
5. Scheduled Business
6. Business from the members
7. Staff updates
 - Director - Eric Ikenouye
 - Library Resources Coordinator - LaRee Dominguez
8. Next meeting date: Tuesday, June 27, 2023
9. Adjournment

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MINUTES

April 25, 2023

5:15 p.m.

Hybrid

Approved: **DRAFT**

Call to Order

Chair Steve Borst called the meeting to order at 5:19 p.m.

Roll Call

Members present: Amanda Blaisdell, Steve Borst, Bob Brown, Jaci Eiquihua, Karen Messer, Amy Roberts

Members absent: Barbara Coffman

Staff present: Eric Ikenouye, Library Director; April Spisak, Interim Assistant Director; Elise Schuh, Administrative Services Coordinator

Approval of March 14, 2023 Minutes:

5:20 p.m.

MOTION: Board Member Karen Messer moved to approve the minutes as written. Board Member Jaci Eiquihua seconded it and it passed (6-0).

Staff update

5:22 p.m.

Interim Assistant Director April Spisak updated the Board on the Library's Strategic Plan and the next steps of forming groups to support goal progress and completion. A brief discussion followed about the bookmobile and the progress being made in research and development.

Borst asked if specific groups are being selected for the strategic plan goals. Spisak stated it will be mostly volunteer and interest-based selection.

Borst asked if there is a timeline for the purchase of a bookmobile. Spisak stated that based on the current Strategic Plan, the goal is to have a physical vehicle in the next two years. Library Director Eric Ikenouye noted that there will be a more definitive timeline once an official group is established under this goal.

Spisak provided updates on the upcoming Summer Reading Program. It runs from June 1st through August 26th and is Oregon themed; Reading is a State of Mine. In addition, the Library is partnering with different organizations for programming, including Parks and Receptions and the Calapooia Watershed Council.

Ikenouye went through a library budget overview presentation*.

Discussion followed about funding sources for circulating materials.

Ikenouye gave an update on the staffing changes at the Linn-Benton Community College library and the potential effects on the other libraries in the Linn Libraries Consortium.

Ikenouye shared that library staff received practical training from the Linn County Mental Health Crisis Team on supporting struggling patrons and what resources are available to them.

A brief discussion by the Board followed about the potential for private security.

The Board shared their appreciation and support for the recent article about the Library's Diversity Audit.

Adjournment

Hearing no further business, Borst adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,

Elise Schuh
Administrative Services Coordinator

Eric Ikenouye
Library Director

**Documents discussed at the meeting that are not in the agenda packet are archived in the record. The documents are available by emailing cityclerk@cityofalbany.net*