

Independence Public Library Board Meeting
February 24, 2025 – 5:00 pm
DRAFT Minutes

Present: Nathan Christensen, Rose Hernandez, Bradley Karkanen, Kevin Hamlin, Diana Lindskog, Vickie McCubbin, Marilyn Morton (City Council Liaison), Patrick Bodily (Library Director).

Minutes from the January 27, 2024 Library Board meeting were read and approved with discussed edits. Motion by Vickie McCubbin, second by Bradley Karkanen. Motion passed by all Board members present.

Library Director Report:

- The library received a grant from the Marion Polk Early Learning Hub to increase the size of the Wonderbook collection, replace missing items in the Early Learning backpacks, and pay for staff to do outreach at community events.
- The library is finishing designs for the graphics on the Book Bike and will submit for the build as soon as they are finished.
- Youth Coding League is continuing. There are 12 total coders this season.
- Patrick provided an update on various issues with the facility.
- Patrick provided an update on library visits, program attendance, computer use, and circulation.
- Patrick will be attending the City Council Work Session on February 25 to discuss budgeting possibilities for the Library.

Committee Report – Friends of the Library:

- The Friends of the Library have been opening the Book Store on Thursdays from 10am – 12pm.
- The Friends are still working on setting up a website and an eBay site.

Unfinished Business

- Nathan is working on contacting Parks Advisory Board president to see about working together in the long term.

New Business

- Ethics Statement Workgroup. Nathan will bring some talking points and discussion to the group at the next Board Meeting.

Board Business

- Short Takes For Trustees. The Board watched the next in the series of Board Training Videos provided by the State Library of Oregon on Advocacy and Communication.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:49 pm.