

Independence Public Library Board Meeting
April 28, 2025 – 5:00 pm
DRAFT Minutes

Present: Nathan Christensen, Rose Hernandez, Bradley Karkanen, Kevin Hamlin, Diana Lindskog, Vickie McCubbin, Leslie Howerton, Patrick Bodily (Library Director).

Minutes from the March 24, 2024 Library Board meeting were read and approved as written. Motion by Bradley Karkanen, second by Vickie McCubbin. Motion passed by all Board members present.

Library Director Report:

- The Youth Coding League has finished for the Season. Our library team in the Technical Merit category took First Place overall.
- The Book bike is ready to be picked up and Patrick is scheduling a time to go and get it from the factory in Portland. It should be here by the next board meeting.
- Patrick provided an update on circulation, library program attendance, computer usage, and other statistics.
- The library is finalizing plans for Summer Reading. They will be participating in the End of School celebration downtown.
- Patrick will be attending the Oregon Library Association annual conference as well as an Association for Rural and Small Libraries Board Retreat prior to the next Board Meeting.

Committee Report – Friends of the Library

- Bradley was elected President of the Friends Board at the most recent Friends of the Library meeting. He is working on setting up PayPal for use at Quarterly Booksales.

Committee Report – Advocacy Committee

- The committee will plan to meet after the Library's Budget is finalized but before the start of the new Fiscal Year.

Unfinished Business – Ethics Statement

- The adopted Statement of Ethics was reviewed. The board will all sign a copy at the Annual Meeting in September.

Board Business

- Due to Internet Connectivity issues, the board was unable to watch the next in the series of Short Takes for Trustees. They voted to postpone the scheduled video until the May Meeting. Bradley Karkanen made the motion with a second by Kevin Hamlin. Motion passed by all members in attendance.

New Business

- Nathan will get in contact with the City Council liaison for the Library Board to see about formal recognition for the winners of the Youth Coding League. A motion to do so was made by Bradley Karkanen, with a second by Leslie Howerton. Motion passed by all members in attendance.
- Rose Hernandez announced that she will be moving prior to the next Board Meeting and will be stepping down from the Library Board.
- It was recommended that the May meeting date move, as it was set for Memorial Day. A motion to change the date of the May Library Board meeting to Tuesday, May 20th was made by Bradley Karkanen with a second by Diana Lindskog. Motion passed by all members in attendance.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:46 pm.