

**Independence Public Library Board Meeting**  
**May 26, 2025 – 5:00 pm**  
**DRAFT Minutes**

Present: Nathan Christensen, Bradley Karkanen, Diana Lindskog, Vickie McCubbin, Bill Boisvert (City Council Liaison), Patrick Bodily (Library Director).

Minutes from the April 28, 2024 Library Board meeting were read and approved as written. Motion by Bradley Karkanen, second by Diana Lindskog. Motion passed by all Board members present.

**Library Director Report:**

- The library received an email announcing the discontinuation of the Youth Coding League. Patrick will look into alternative options so that we can continue a coding program at the library in the fall.
- The Book Bike is at the library. It's scheduled to make its debut at the End of School Celebration at Riverview Park. Patrick will also register to ride the book bike in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade.
- Patrick provided an update on the library's grant from the Polk/Marion Early Learning Hub and Project Alianza from Western Oregon University.
- Patrick gave an update on the library's preparation for Summer Reading and an overview of attendance at library programs over the past month.
- The library will be installing another StoryWalk at Inspiration Garden this summer.

**Committee Report – Friends of the Library**

- The Friends of the Library has started selling books on eBay for books that are identified as high value sales. Bradley is also getting set up with Google Accounts for Executive Board members.

**Committee Report – Advocacy Committee**

- The joint committee with library and museum members will hold their first meeting in June.

**New Business**

- The Board briefly discussed the vacant positions on the Library Board. The city will advertise the empty positions next month with hopes of them being filled at the first July City Council meeting.
- The Library Board asked Councilor Boisvert to discuss officially recognizing the Youth Coding League winners at a City Council meeting.

**Board Business**

- The Library Board watched the next in the series of Short Takes for Trustees on Intellectual Freedom then held a brief discussion about the video.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.