



CORNELIUS LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, December 7, 2023
Hybrid, Cornelius, OR 97113

Present: Robyn Dalin, Isaac Gilman, Cheryl Hall, Lauren Latocki, Char Jones, Byron Sun and Director Karen Hill. Guests: Linda Osuna and Danelle Giese

Absent: Jennifer Heuer, Melanie Johnston, and Mary Welch

Call to order: 7:00 pm. Hill will chair the meeting in absence of the Chair and Vice-chair.

Approval of minutes: Minutes of Nov 2. were unanimously approved.

INTRODUCTIONS

Linda Osuna, resident and librarian in Hillsboro, and Danelle Giese, active parent and library advocate, are interested in joining the board. Each board member and guests introduced themselves and shared their thoughts about issues that are likely to impact the library in the future.

REPORTS

Friends of the Library: The Friends sponsored mural in the Children's room is complete. The Friends Board discussed the draft 2024 budget and approved up to \$1,000 for a donor recognition project. Youth Librarian, Maria Aguilar, will be the primary contact between the library and the Friends, as the library and city increase redundancy in key areas of operations.

Foundation: Hill reported that the Foundation voted in a new member, Amanda Yakos. Amanda works for the Cornelius/Forest Grove Chamber of Commerce and grew up in the Forest Grove area. Another potential member is considering joining as well. The Foundation reviewed their draft 2024 budget and Angelica Novoa de Cordeiro will be the new library liaison.

Library Director: (See report.) Hill shared highlights from November. and library use statistics are staying steady. Hill summarized the WCCLS funding and governance project, and reviewed statistics for our library WiFi hotspots. Day of the Dead, PJ Storytime, a repair fair, and a calligraphy program were big hits. Novoa de Cordeiro attended the international book fair in Mexico and purchased almost \$10,000 in hard-to-find books for WCCLS libraries. The library completed a reorganization, creating a staffing model that allows for more in-depth staff knowledge and customer service consistency. Telvet Coffee from Forest Grove has committed to opening a café in the library lobby. The coffee will start flowing in February!

DISCUSSION/ DECISION ITEMS

New Board Member: The Board voted unanimously to recommend Linda Osuna to the City Council for appointment to the Library Advisory Board. As planned, Danelle Giese, will consider whether to apply for the Advisory Board or Friends in the next few weeks.

Board Member Renewals: Isaac Gilman, Cheryl Hall, Melanie Johnston, and Byron Sun accepted term renewals that were unanimously approved.

OPEN: none

Adjourned at 7:34 pm. Minutes respectfully submitted by Karen Hill.

Next Library Advisory Board meeting January 4, 2024.