



Library Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

West Slope Community Library

November 15, 2022, 5:00-6:30pm

In Attendance:

- Lisa Tattersall, WCCLS Manager
- Kristen Thorp, Library Director
- Julie Solomon, Chair
- Joanne Treuhaft, Vice Chair
- Lois Hays, member
- Kristin Ingram, member
- Amelia Nason, member
- Carol Hellebuyck, guest

Call to order - 5:04pm - Solomon

Consent agenda – motion to approve the consent agenda from Ingram and seconded by Hays. Motion approved.

Public comment – No public comment.

Friends of the Library Report

Friends of the Library vice president presented that they approved the budget for the upcoming calendar year and will be fully funding all the library's special requests. Hellebuyck also reported that the November Book Sale was very successful and the group needs more inventory. The Friends are also working on a new fundraiser using the bottle drop bags, and looking to find ways to increase membership and already looking ahead to next year's Tulip Sale.





Recruitment of a new student member

The library will also be recruiting for an additional member to the board in January, with the hopes that we will be able to build in some staggered membership. The board's bylaws support up to 7 members.

2023 Advisory Board meetings

The group decided that the current meeting cadence and time is working well and will continue this schedule in the upcoming calendar year.

2023 meetings are:

- January 17
- March 21
- May 16
- July 18
- September 19
- November 14

Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

The Board had a robust and thoughtful discussion on who is being left out of the conversation with the lack of diversity of the current Board and offered support to the Director and staff for challenges we are experiencing at the library. In addition to continuing the conversation, we are all planning to read the book "Blind Spot" by Anthony Greenwald and Mahzarin Banaji between now and our next meeting in January.





Library Updates

- Thorp gave an update on our recent staff in-service day where the entire team gathered for a full day of learning and training. Trainings included how to handle damaged materials when they are returned, Talking Books demo from the Oregon State Library, Code Adam procedures to help reunite lost children with their caregivers, the behind the scenes reports that are handled each month in order to ensure that patron data and catalog data are accurate.
- In process of a part-time Library Assistant recruitment. Working on the recruitment plan to fill two part-time Clerk positions.
- 80+ people attended our Trick or Treat event where each kid in attendance received a free book.
- Library is preparing for World Cup viewing that will show matched during our open hours.
- Girls Who Code program for elementary students of all genders to begin in January.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:40pm.

