

Oregon Public Library Board Meeting Minutes

April 24, 2024

Present:

Rick Bunton, Martha Bohrer, Pam Steele, Jim Winkler, Elizabeth Green (director)
Guest: Danielle Larsen

Board President called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

Pam moved and Martha seconded approval of the agenda. Approved.

Martha moved and Pam seconded approval of the consent agenda. Approved.

Priority announcements: Rick introduced Danielle and expressed his hope she will replace John Young on the board. Martha said the annual book sale needs the assistance of the Friends of the Library organization to be resuscitated.

Director's report: Elizabeth noted the gecko livestream is up.

President's report: No report at this time.

Treasurer's report: No report at this time.

New Business:

1. The updated Regional Artists Collection Policy was reviewed. Martha moved and Pam seconded an addition of the word 'preemptive' to the second sentence of point 4 of the De-accessioning procedure so that it will read, "The library will not knowingly agree to the preemptive sale or gift of de-accessioned items to staff members, board members, or volunteers of the Oregon Public Library District." The board approved the amended policy.

2. The board met with Danielle regarding her interest in filling the vacancy. Danielle shared her resume. Rick noted it has been challenging to populate the board and praised Danielle's qualifications.

Martha moved and Pam seconded a motion to move into executive session. Approved.

The board moved out of executive session at 6:35 pm. During executive session the board approved Danielle's membership on the board. Additionally, the board approved Elizabeth as the permanent director of the library at the same salary as the previous director.

Elizabeth was invited back to the meeting and the good news of her election was shared with her. Jim encouraged Elizabeth to provide leadership to implementation of the 2022-2026 Strategic Plan. Martha noted the library's front doors need attention. Elizabeth said she will report to the board on the strategic plan at the next meeting. Martha expressed her appreciation for Elizabeth's leadership.

Rick adjourned the meeting at 6:45