

Minutes
Lebanon Public Library Advisory Board
July 12, 2016
4:30 – 5:30 pm
LPL Community Room
55 Academy St.

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm by Garry Browning, chair

Present: Garry Browning, chair; Virginia Cloyd; JonLee Joseph; Delvin King; Jim Ruef; Carol Dinges, library director

Introductions: Both new and continuing members of the board introduced themselves.

Approval of minutes: Minutes of the June 2016 meeting were approved as presented.

Library manager's report:

- Carol presented a chart summarizing the income, expenditures, and end-of-year balances of the Library Trust from 2009 to the present. The current balance is just under \$150,000, which is about average. There have been some substantial donations which have offset spending for collection development and supplies for the past two fiscal years.
- The board reviewed the June (end of fiscal year) statistical report. Jim Ruef asked about the adult/child attendance at the Teen Parent storytimes – it appeared that lots of children and few parents attended. Carol explained that the State Library (who collects these statistics) defines “child” as anyone under the age of 18, so nearly all the teen parents are counted as children.
- Updates:
 - Grants
 - Samaritan Health Services Social Accountability Grant: Library staff has begun ordering books and other materials for the “Sensitive Subject” kits and collections for children and teens. Since applying for the grant, we’ve had requests for materials on many more topics than originally anticipated.
 - Technology
 - A new microfilm/fiche reader/scanner is scheduled to be installed Wednesday morning. The City of Lebanon technology department has already installed a new computer station for this equipment. This was paid for by a grant from Oregon Trust Management.
 - Since more patrons are using their own tablets and laptops, we have less demand for patron access computers. As of July 1, we extended the time limit from 1 hour to 90 minutes.
 - Two additional security cameras are scheduled to be installed within the next few weeks. This will extend coverage to nearly all areas inside the library. There are cameras outside, as well.
 - Programs
 - Both participation and attendance at Summer Reading Program events appear to be surpassing last year’s record-setting numbers. Attendance at the first event – “JuggleMania” – was the highest for any event ever held at the library (nearly 300).

Friends of the Library report:

- Virginia Cloyd reported that both the May and June book sales were exceptionally successful, and that the average monthly income from the Saturday book sale is higher this year than last. The Friends hold both the monthly book sale on the 4th Saturday, and they have a book shop open every weekday at the Senior Center, with proceeds from the latter shared with the Senior Center.
- Both Virginia and JonLee Joseph reiterated the need to recruit more – and younger – members for the Friends. Only a few people do most of the work, and most members are elderly.

Committee reports: none

Unfinished business: none

New business: none

Public comments: none

Announcements: Carol announced that Oregon Humanities is offering another “Conversation” program, this one entitled “This Place” (about our sense of where we live, have lived, and how that’s shaped our outlook). The library has hosted two of these programs in the past, both of which were well-attended and received. She’s looking into the possibility of hosting this one, as well, probably in October. Oregon Humanities covers all costs except library personnel.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:28 pm by Garry Browning, chair. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 13, at 4:30 pm in the library’s Community Room. There will be no meeting in August.