



Library Advisory Board

Minutes

March 20, 2025

Members of the Library Advisory Board met on this day in regular session at the Brownsville Library in the Kirk Room, Brownsville, Oregon, at 4:33 PM.

***Present:** Chairperson Melissa Selby, Barbara DeRobertis, Linda McCormick, Sandy Saltzer, Jennifer Ashcraft, and Librarian Sherri Lemhouse.

Absent: None

Public: None

Presiding: Melissa Selby

Minutes: Mrs. Selby called the meeting to order. As a first item of business Mrs. McCormick made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2025, meeting as presented by recording Secretary Sherri Lemhouse. Ms. Ashcraft seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by all.

Library Report: Librarian Sherri reported that plans for the Summer Reading Program are going well. We have two performers booked for the summer. Anne Louise will be our Kickoff Performer at the Pioneer Picnic. Anne-Louise will present a joyful program of songs and stories to keep you chuckling, laughing, singing and tapping those feet! And of course – finding your voice. Kelli Welli will be performing Kelli Caldwell writes and performs for children As Kelli Welli and has been called “The Pixar of Children’s songwriters” for her award-winning work and commitment to keeping even the silliest of songs super smart, with full respect for kids’ brains. Kelli draws upon her unique upbringing to create songs that often defy categorization. Kelli’s wide-ranging songwriting is clever, fun, often hilarious, sometimes reflective and deeply sweet. While I was on vacation last week, Volunteer Ella Glenn pitch hit for our Story Time crowd. Everyone enjoyed themselves and I will offer her more opportunities to be a regular contributor to Story Time. The Library is on track with the budget for 2024/25 budget year. I have requested new computers and have asked about the possibility of security cameras in and around the Library.

Old Business: Members discussed what to request the City Administrator to add (if room available) to the direct mail Council Report. At the May meeting, we will set out a schedule that the Librarian can request added each month.

New Business: The Topic of conversation for March is Disaster Preparedness. Librarian Sherri showed a short video entitled ‘Public Libraries and First Responders: Partners in Emergency Response. Afterward, members discussed and planned the upcoming Volunteer Appreciation party. Members discussed the date of the May business meeting. One member will be unable to attend, so members moved the May meeting to Thursday, May 15 at 4:30 PM.

Guest Comments: None present

Board Member Comments: Ms. Saltzer spoke about The Times revitalization. There is now a group dedicated and planning on publishing starting June 2025. She distributed subscription information to anyone who wanted to learn more.

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be Thursday, May 15, 2025, in the Kirk Community Room at the library.

ATTEST:

Melissa Selby,
Chairperson

Sherri Lemhouse,
Librarian