

*Library Commission approved minutes as presented on
February 10, 2021.*

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:** Pamela Bailey, Chair, called the meeting of the Library Commission to order at 6:30PM on Wednesday, December 9, 2020.

Members Present: Pamela Bailey, Chair; Kathleen Poulsen, Vice Chair; Elizabeth Beechwood; Kirsten Beier; Morgan Knapp; Valyrie Ingram; Hattie Krebsbach; Sam Ruder

Members Absent: Nickie Augustine (excused)

Staff: Colleen Winters, Library Director

Council Liaison: None

Others: None

- 2) **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS to Agenda:** none

- 3) **APPROVE LIBRARY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF November 18, 2020:**

MOTION: Valyrie Ingram moved, seconded by Morgan Knapp, to approve the November 18, 2020 minutes with amendments. **MOTION CARRIED** by all.

- 4) **CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS:** None

- 5) **WELCOME:** Welcome to Hattie Krebsbach as the newest Library Commissioner and Sam Ruder as Student Representative.

- 6) **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

a) **FOUNDATION REPORT:** Colleen Winters shared comments about the activities of the Library Foundation of Forest Grove:

1. There was no December meeting for the Library Foundation

b) **FRIENDS REPORT:** Colleen Winters shared comments about the activities of the Friends of the Forest Grove Library:

1. There was no December meeting for the Friends of the Forest Grove Library.

c) **COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT:**

1. There was no report from a city representative.

d) LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Colleen Winters reported these items:

1. January 2021 will be the 43rd annual BEAR Month. BEAR stands for Be Enthusiastic About Reading. There will be a virtual teddy bear parade and puppet show as well as take-and-make crafts. Staff members Nathan and Joan will try to keep as many of the traditional elements as possible.
2. Jan. 19th, Oregon's Poet Laureate Anis Majgani will stream live on the library's Facebook page and Youtube channel.
3. February is Black History Month. February 9th, Nicholas Buccola will be the online guest (with the Oregon Humanities) and on February 23rd, Walidah Imarisha (with Pacific University) will be the online guest.

7) Art Donation

Commissioners continue to discuss this issue. Concerns regarding the current prospective donation include: the size of the artwork compared to the space in the library; the library is closed so the public can't view the artwork; what are the donor's expectations; what are the contents of this multi-media piece; can this wait until after the pandemic is over?

8) Farewell and Thank You to Nickie Augustine / Recognition of Robin's 35 years with the Library

Pamela Bailey announced that Nickie Augustine will not be on the Library Commission after her term ends on December 31, 2020. Nickie has been on the Library Commission since February 2004. Nickie's dedication and wise council will be missed.

The Commission also acknowledged staff-member Robyn Cram for her 35 years of dedication working at the Forest Grove Library.

9) ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING:

The next Library Commission meeting will be on January 13, 2021 via Webex teleconference.

10) ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, Chair Bailey adjourned the meeting at 7:30 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Colleen Winters, Library Director
Elizabeth Beechwood, Secretary