



Public Library Board

MINUTES

March 14, 2023

5:15 p.m.

Hybrid

Approved: April 25, 2023

Call to Order

Chair Steve Borst called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Roll Call

Members present: Amanda Blaisdell, Steve Borst, Bob Brown, Barbara Coffman, Jaci Eiquihua, Karen Messer, Amy Roberts

Staff present: Eric Ikenouye, Library Director; Christine Troetschel, Librarian I; Elise Schuh, Administrative Services Coordinator

On behalf of the Board, Borst welcomed new Board Member Jaci Eiquihua. Eiquihua introduced herself to the Board.

Approval of January 24, 2023 Minutes

5:16 p.m.

MOTION: Board Member Barbara Coffman moved to approve the minutes as written. Board Member Karen Messer seconded it and it passed 6-0.

Staff update

5:18 p.m.

Librarian Christine Troetschel presented the results of a recent diversity audit* of the library's collection. The audit compares the Albany Public Library's English regular print collection to the public library average. Troetschel presented the specific results for the teen and adult fiction collections.

Board Member Amy Roberts joined at 5:20 p.m.

Eiquihua asked when the newest Oregon Healthy Teen's Survey is being published. Discussion followed on availability and access to survey results.

Board Member Bob Brown asked if libraries are usually litigated over the diversity of a collection. A brief discussion followed about different restrictions on collection development.

Director Eric Ikenouye went through his Directors Report*.

Borst asked if it would be possible to put the Albany Public Library Mission statement on the library's website homepage.

Adjournment

Hearing no further business, Steve Borst adjourned the meeting at 6:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Elise Schuh
Administrative Services Coordinator

Reviewed by,



Eric Ikenouye
Library Director

**Documents discussed at the meeting that are not in the agenda packet are archived in the record. The documents are available by emailing cityclerk@cityofalbany.net*