



Minutes
Lebanon Public Library
Advisory Group Meeting
April 9, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

Present: Kendra Antila (Director) ,Vandy Roadifer (Friends representative), Denice Lee (Chairperson), Jennifer Moody, Dustin Herb, Jane Turner, Russ Fish

Minutes of the February meeting were approved as presented.

Library Director's Report: Monthly statistics for February and March as well as the cumulative stat report for the current fiscal year including program attendance, were reviewed.. Both February and March stats showed increases over those from last year. The group discussed a report provided by the State Library comparing the Lebanon library to other public libraries in the state with similar service area populations. The report focused on staffing and funding and in both cases, Lebanon was second from last. We also discussed the upcoming budget meetings and how impending cuts will impact the library.

Friends of the Library Report: The Friends now have their own domain name (lebanonlibraryfriends.org) and website. They've raised \$20,623.34 so far this year (over \$5,600 in February alone thanks to a large donation from the Chenoweth family and the Siletz grant for the Summer Reading Program). They anticipate easily reaching their goal of contributing another \$20,000 for the children's room expansion by the end of June. The Friends received a large donation of books from a downtown storefront and anticipate more donations this week. They were also invited to pick up any unsold items left after the Corvallis-Benton County Friends book sale. With these added donations the April 20th sale will be larger than usual and the May 11th sale will be huge. The recent Author Fair was very successful and they plan to make it an annual event.

New Business: With minor edits, the group approved the final draft of the Child Safety & Behavior Policy.

Unfinished Business: None

Public Comments: None

Announcements: None

The meeting was adjourned at 5:03 p.m. The next meeting will be June 11th @ 4:30.

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