



Petersburg Borough

12 South Nordic Drive
Petersburg, AK 99833

Meeting Minutes Library Advisory Board Regular Meeting

Wednesday, September 22, 2021

2:00 PM

Via Zoom

1. Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86478613799>

2. Call to Order / Roll Call

Chair Marilyn Menish-Meucci called the meeting to order at 2:04pm.

PRESENT

Board Member Elisa Teodori
Board Member Mary Ellen Anderson
Board Member Marilyn Menish-Meucci
Board Member Elizabeth Thompson
Board Member Barb Fish

ABSENT

Board Member Alec McMurren
Board Member Gina Esposito

3. Approval of Minutes

Minutes were approved as submitted.

- A. Minutes from April 28, 2021 meeting

4. Amendment and Approval of Meeting Agenda

5. Persons to be Heard Related/Unrelated to Agenda

6. Director's Report

- A. See attached report.

The Director's Report included in the packet was discussed.

7. Unfinished Business

- A. Incumbents Elisa Teodori and Gina Esposito are running unopposed.

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8. New Business

- A. John McCabe donated \$5,000 to the Arts Education Endowment on 6/24/2021. Attach is a letter thanking John and acknowledging his remarkable generosity.

Member Thompson made a motion to accept John McCabe's donation of \$5,000 to the Art Education Endowment.

- B. A summary of the current balance and spendable amounts is attached for review. As of 9/14/21 there is \$185,809 in the general library endowments and \$169,997 in the Arts Education Endowment.

9. Discussion Items

- A. The Director has been working with Sue Paulsen and an artist in Washington State to design a sign for the door that is consistent with Sandvik Room sign and also uses some of Helmi Jensen's artwork. We expect to see a final version by the end of the month. Is there interest from the Board/Friends in doing something to celebrate the renaming of the room?

Chair Menish-Meucci spoke with Sue Paulsen about a simple event on Monday Dec 6, Finnish Independence Day. A draft of the door sign was shared with the group.

- B. This year's funding is status quo. Cuts to the University of Alaska may impact future ALC budgets. Every year the ALC attempts to get funding for the ALC in the State budget. So far this has not been successful. Our annual ALC cost this year is \$1307. The bulk of our cost is shipping (roughly \$3,000 per year) and staff time (7 hours per week).

- C. Discussion of book sale updates and other news from the Friends.

Member Fish shared that 2020 book sale proceeds were approximately \$970. This included both the sales events and book cart sales.

- D. The next regular meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wed Oct 20, 2pm.

10. Adjourn