

## West Linn Library Advisory Board Minutes

Wednesday, January 20, 2021 VIA Zoom

**Present members:** Tom Miller, Janet Dalgaard, Aeris Estep, Martha Swanson, Rebecca Cassidy & Melinda Robinson

**Absent:** Emily Hogan (*excused*)

**Staff Present:** Doug Erickson, Library Director, Sarah Flathman, Youth Services Manager, Melanie Nelson, Operations Supervisor/Assistant to the Director, Rick Peterson, Library Manager

**Call to order:** Janet Dalgaard called the meeting to order at 5:03pm

**Agenda Review:** No edits or additions Tom Miller moved to approve agenda, Melinda Robinson seconded the motion. Passed 6:0

**Public Comment:** Jerry Gabrielatos, City Manager introduction

**Library Update:** Doug Erickson, Library Director

- **Library Updates:**
  - With distance learning and challenges the West Linn/Wilsonville School District expressed need for more science education curriculum in a virtual format- difficult to see through a microscope or telescope while on line. Doug wanted to bridge the gap and partner with the school district to help the students in our community. This created the position of Library Educator. Doug was happy to announce that Dawna Bell was hired as a Library Educator. Ms. Bell is well known in our community and taught science at Athey Creek before she retired. Dawna will creating on-line science content called "Science with Ms. Bell" which will be on-line virtually. Dawna will start on Monday, January 25, 2021.
- **Policy Review with Bill Monahan:** Bill was tied up in another meeting & unable to join the Library Advisory Board meeting. This item and Bill will be added to the February Library Advisory Board meeting.

**Foundation Update:** Janet Dalgaard updated on the Library Foundation: January Foundation meeting cancelled.

**Board Comments:** None

**Adjourn:** Tom Miller moved to adjourn at 5:42 p.m. and Aeris Estep seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Nelson

Library Operation Supervisor/Assistant to the Library Director

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**Next meeting Wednesday, February 17th at 5:00p.m. Via Zoom**