



Public Library Board

MINUTES

May 26, 2026

5:15 p.m.

Hybrid

Approved: June 23, 2026

Call to Order

Chair Amy Roberts called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Roll Call

Members present: Steve Borst, Douglas Hambley (virtual), Linda Hart, Amy Roberts, Jane Sandberg

Members absent: Jaci Eiquihua (excused), Scott Kniefel

Staff present: Eric Ikenouye, Library Director; April Spisak, Supervising Librarian; Elise Schuh, Administrative Services Coordinator

Approval of April 28, 2026 Minutes:

5:16 p.m.

MOTION: Board Member Steve Borst moved to approve the minutes as written. Board Member Jane Sandberg seconded it and it passed 5-0.

Staff update

5:17 p.m.

Library Director Eric Ikenouye briefly introduced Library Assistant Mona Farmer, who is retiring after 32 ½ years at the library. Mona spoke about her experiences and her involvement with the Linn Library League. The Board thanked her for her service and attendance.

Supervising Librarian April Spisak shared an update on the upcoming Summer Reading Program. The program, which officially starts on June 2, is themed "Explore the Unknown" with a focus on Cryptids. The mascot, created by an Instagram artist who generously allowed the library to use it for the summer, was named Marimo by popular vote.

The library will again be partnering with satellite locations to expand access for children not easily able to visit during the week.

Ikenouye shared that Library Strategies will be presenting a draft Strategic Plan at the next Board meeting. They have completed stakeholder interviews and focus groups and are now reviewing internal policies and procedures.

He also shared that the official unveiling of the rainbow display in the lobby is scheduled for June 30th. The artist, Peter Erskine, will be showing a short film about the project.

Scheduled Business

5:35 p.m.

Ikenouye presented an updated Internet Access policy to the board for approval. The language and formatting were simplified for greater clarity.

Sandberg pointed out a minor punctuation mistake to be corrected.

In response to a question from Borst, Ikenouye stated that all policies are reviewed by the city attorney. In response to an inquiry from Sandberg, Ikenouye clarified the relevance of the second paragraph in relation to the policy. The board discussed alternative phrasing to better show how it directly relates to the policy.

Sandberg suggested updating it to read: "As with other electronic resources and with traditional media, library policies regarding privacy, intellectual freedom, and confidentiality apply to internet access."

MOTION: Board Member Jane Sandberg moved to adopt the change. Board Member Linda Hart seconded it, and it passed 5-0.

MOTION: Board Member Linda Hart moved to approve the updated Internet Access policy. Board Member Jane Sandberg seconded it, and it passed 5-0.

Ikenouye presented an updated Material Loans policy to the board for approval. Formatting and loan periods had been updated.

MOTION: Board Member Jane Sandberg moved to approve the updated Material Loans policy. Board Member Linda Hart seconded it, and it passed 5-0.

Business from the commission

5:51 p.m.

Roberts shared updates from the recent Library Foundation meeting, including upcoming programs, and noted that the Foundation has granted the library funding for materials, Carnegie collection development, and for the continued development and maintenance of The Oregon Collection.

Next Meeting Date

The next regularly scheduled meeting is on Tuesday, June 23, 2026.

Adjournment

Hearing no further business, Roberts adjourned the meeting at 5:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,



Elise Schuh
Administrative Services Coordinator



Eric Ikenouye
Library Director