



## TUALATIN LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

December 7, 2021

Present: Alan Feinstein, Katherine Kang, Dana Paulino, Ashley Payne, Nicholas Schiller, Thea Wood, Marcus Young

Absent:

Public: Laura Baker, Friends of Tualatin Library

Staff: Jerianne Thompson, Library Director

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**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Thea Wood called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The November meeting minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

**C. COMMUNICATIONS**

**1. Chair:** None.

**2. Staff:** Jerianne Thompson reported that library management has decided to continue allowing food inside the Library. Alec Chunn has been hired as the new Librarian I, focused on youth services. The Library is hosting a food drive in partnership with Tualatin Kiwanis Club. She also shared that the Library's project with Tigard Library to issue library cards to all Tigard-Tualatin School District students is proceeding as planned. Thompson shared recent statistics.

**3. Teen Library Committee:** Katherine Kang reported that TLC hosted a speaker series in November and a winter holidays celebration in early December. TLC will be assisting with a couple of programs for elementary-aged students during winter break.

**4. Public:** None.

**D. OLD BUSINESS**

**E. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Friends of Tualatin Library:** Friends of Tualatin Library President Laura Baker provided an update on Friends' activities in 2021. The Friends raise funds primarily through used book sales and provide grants to the Library to support programs. In 2021, the Friends donated \$2,880 to support

programs; annual program support is usually about \$20,000 but program expenses have been reduced because of COVID-19. The group's goals are to continue to recruit volunteers, continue supporting the Library, and increase membership.

**2. Intellectual Freedom & Public Libraries:** Jerianne Thompson gave a presentation about intellectual freedom, the right of individuals to seek and receive information from all points of view without restriction. She also reviewed the Library's process for responding to complaints or challenges to library materials and TLAC's role.

**3. Public Comment:** Committee members discussed whether to continue offering a public comment period as a standing agenda item. The committee agreed to continue the practice.

**4. 2022 Meeting Calendar:** Committee members reviewed the draft meeting calendar for 2022 and agreed to continue meeting at 6pm on the first Tuesday of each month. The meetings will continue to be virtual at this time.

**F. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**G. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**1. Members:** None.

**H. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM.

\_\_\_\_\_, Jerianne Thompson, Recording Secretary