

Kelso Public Library
Advisory Board Meeting
October 25, 2023
4:00pm at Kelso Public Library
Meeting Minutes

Present: Maryanne Hirning, Joseph Govednik, Erik Moser, Ex-Official and Library Director

Guest: Garrett Fix

- Erik called the meeting to order at 4:02pm. It was noted that the KPLAB should consist of five members and the current compliment is two (Maryanne and Joseph). An effort by all to recruit KPLAB members was discussed. Guest Garret Fix may be interested.
- Erik gave the Library Director's report. Of particular note in the report is the following:
 - Public computers are constantly in demand. At any given time there are 2-3 patrons using this service.
 - There was a PT staff turnover and hire.
 - Collections consolidation and culling process is ongoing. Currently 1,400 adult paperbacks were removed, Youth Services project is about 75% complete, Adult fiction is in progress with many "grubby" books found in collection, and adult nonfiction to be addressed in November 2023.
 - Youth Services programming is excelling over last year. 2022 had 300 attendees and 2023 is over 2,600 as of this meeting.
 - Total programming attendance: 2022 = 374 attendees, 2023 to date = 2,853 attendees.
 - Erik is working on finalizing a reciprocation agreement with Ft. Vancouver Regional Libraries.
- Old Business: None
- Good of the Order
- Adjournment at 4:24

Next meeting on Wednesday, January 3, with meetings scheduled on a quarterly basis for 2024.