



Newberg Public Library enriches and nourishes the life of our community, providing countless opportunities for the integration of people and knowledge.

NEWBERG PUBLIC LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 21, 2026, 6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER at 6:00 p.m.
2. Present:
Board Members: Amanda Houston, Chair; Julia Kightly, Vice Chair; Sharee Adkins; Jessica Hopkins-Hubbard; Leslie Smestad; Library Director: Korie Jones Buerkle

Absent: Elisa Semmens, Student Commissioner
3. ACCEPT CONSENT CALENDAR: Julia motioned, Leslie seconded, **all approved**
 - a. Accept April 2026 Library Advisory Board Meeting Minutes.
 - b. Accept April 2026 Library Use Report.
4. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None
5. BOARD COMMENTS: Korie
 - a. Current Library Narratives
6. REPORTS
 - a. Library Director's report: Korie
 1. Bathroom remodel is completed
 2. The Library Friends have given the library \$25,000 for new shelving and furniture for the Teen's area.
 3. The Summer Reading program for all ages starts June 6, 2026
7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - a. Library Policy Review – Library Card Policy
 1. Asking for approval of revised policy: Sharee motioned, Julia seconded, **all approved**
8. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Strategic Plan 2027-2032- Sharee
 1. Identified themes in the current Strategic Plan that are still relevant and brainstormed additional themes: Prepare community for the future, Literacy (early, youth, digital, AI), Economy/Affordability impact, physical structure/usability, physical/digital resources,

service areas beyond the library walls, DEI, staff capacity/excellence, organizational health.

2. Identified additional meetings with limited board members due to quorum: Strategic planning with library staff on 6/12/2026, 9:45-11:30 a.m.

3. No meeting on 6/18/26, instead meet on 6/26/26 at 9:00 a.m. with entire board

9. NEXT MEETING/STEPS

a. Friday, June 26, 2026, 9:00 a.m. Board meeting and Strategic Planning - Survey

b. Thursday, July 30, 2026, 6:00 p.m. Board meeting and Strategic Planning listening session

10. ADJOURNMENT at 7:38 p.m.

ACCOMMODATION OF PHYSICAL IMPAIRMENTS: In order to accommodate persons with physical impairments, please notify the City Recorder's office of any special physical or language accommodations you may need as far in advance of the meeting as possible and no later than 48 hours prior to the meeting. To request these arrangements, please contact the Library Director at (503) 554 7734. For TTY services please dial 711. If you would like to attend this meeting online please contact the Library Director 48 hours ahead of time.