

TIME : 12:00 Noon
PLACE : Library Meeting Room

THE DALLES-WASCO COUNTY LIBRARY

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A G E N D A

Library Board Meeting

September 14, 1995

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. MINUTES - August 10, 1995
- III. SHARED CONCERNS OF THE BOARD
- IV. BUSINESS
 - A. Oregon Public Library Statistical Report
 - B. Internet Jumpstart Grant
- V. REPORTS
 - A. Library Staffing Change
 - B. Summer Reading Program
 - C. Gorge LINK Status
 - D. Friends Of The Library Booksale
 - E. Compressor Replacement Status

With the restored schedule, usage had increased during the first 2 months of the current fiscal year: 8,863 for July 1995 compared to 8,126 for July 1994; and 9,408 for August 1995 compared to 8,693 for August 1994.

B. Internet Jumpstart Grant

Sheila Dooley reported that the State Library was providing grants for public libraries to enable them to establish Internet connections for the public. Computer workstations and 1 year of Internet service and telephone service would be provided. As only 20 public libraries would be receiving grants it was unknown what the chances were of receiving one. Sheila reported that Gorge Net had offered Internet service to the library at the individual rate of \$24 per month. As there was much public interest in the Internet, she would like to include it in next year's budget if a grant was not received.

Ross Cain asked what the budgeted cost of Internet service would be. Sheila said it would include the cost of equipment such as a computer and modem. There was no cost breakdown for this in the grant application as the grants would be made in the form of equipment and not money. Ross estimated the equipment cost at \$2,500.

Sheila said Gorge LINK had considered applying for a matching grant for Internet services but decided that the timeline would be a problem. Gorge LINK could apply as a group for an LSCA Grant at a later date.

REPORTS

A. Library Staffing Change

Sheila Dooley reported that the part-time Assistant Librarian position would be vacant as of the end of the month due to a resignation. The library would also be losing the Library Aide position which had been provided by MCCOG for the past 6 years. Sheila said she would like to create a Library Page position in order to have someone to shelve books. She also planned to increase the hours of the 8 hour per week Library Clerk to 12 hours per week. This would enable the Clerk to have time to download matching cataloging records. Sheila would do any original cataloging. Albeana Taylor asked who was the Clerk involved. Sheila said it was Marilyn Gladwell. This position change would save approximately \$2400 per year in future years.

B. Summer Reading Program

Sheila Dooley reported that 135 children had signed up for the summer reading program with 70 of them turning in their reading lists (as compared to 38 last year). On Saturday the Cat's Paw Theatre would be presenting a puppet show sponsored by the Friends Of The Library. The Dalles Kiwanis

Club was paying for pizza which Dave's Hometown Pizza was providing at less than half price. McDonald's was providing cookies and punch. Sheila said that next year she would like to have unlimited signup all summer long for the summer reading program rather than having a cutoff date. Albeana Taylor said to send a thank you letter to The Dalles Kiwanis Club.

C. Gorge LINK Status

Sheila Dooley reported that all entities had signed the interagency agreement. On August 31st the bylaws were adopted. Officers were elected: Chairman June Knudson, Vice Chairman/Treasurer Sheila Dooley, and Secretary Michele Johns. Sheila said there would be some wiring needed before the system was installed in November. The module training would be done during January with the system available to the public in February or March.

D. Friends Of The Library Booksale

Sheila Dooley reported that volunteers to sort books and staff the sale were still needed. The Salvation Army had agreed to come pick up the leftover books after the sale. Ross Cain suggested having a half price sale during the last hours of the sale. Albeana Taylor said prices are usually marked down on the last day. Dorothy Rooper suggested selling the leftover books to Red's Trading Post.

Ross said the Lions would be having another signup sheet at their next meeting for volunteers to help move books. Some volunteers could only stay an hour. Gib Wiley said it took about 3 hours last year to move all of the books. Sheila said there were 15 Learning House students helping last year.

Sheila said she should publicize the fact that proceeds from the sale would be used to purchase terminals for the library's automated system.

E. Compressor Replacement Status

Sheila Dooley reported that a replacement compressor had been installed but had failed when tested due to low pressure. Another compressor had been received and was in the process of being installed.

Sheila said that when she and Margaret Bauer went to the County Court on August 16th, the County Court indicated that "the door was open" to come back later to request a budget transfer if necessary. The compressor replacement might be covered by insurance and invoices were being sent to the insurance company.

At 12:31 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.