

THE DALLES-WASCO COUNTY LIBRARY

East Seventh Place and Court Street

The Dalles, Oregon 97058

Agenda

LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

October 7, 1975

1. Minutes of preceeding meeting.
2. Appeal on behalf of Berean Society of the Board policy limiting use of meeting room by religious organizations.
3. Report by librarian.
4. Open Business.

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The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. Attending were chairman Meg Smith; board members Walt Smith, Irma Matthews, and Anne Turner; and librarian Richard Wagner. Also present was Legal Aid attorney Bruce Wiegman.

1. The minutes of the last board meeting (September 1975) were approved as read.
2. Bruce Wiegman presented an appeal on behalf of the Berean Society regarding the Board's decision to restrict the use of the meeting room for religious groups. His appeal was based on the grounds that it is unconstitutional to discriminate against a person for religious reasons. After a general discussion the board decided that religious groups can use the meeting room as available on a weekly basis until the city attorney is consulted and a final decision is made.
3. Dick Wagner presented the librarian's report for the month of September. The total circulation for the county had increased 17% over September of last year and totaled 8898. The board discussed library service to the county stations. Walt Smith made a motion that the Tygh Valley School be used as a depository for library books instead of the grocery store which is presently being used. Irma Matthew seconded the motion. The other board members concurred. Irma Matthew made the motion that Meg Smith and Anne Turner consult Judge Elder and the county court to discuss the possibility of starting a books-by-mail program for one year. Walt Smith seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.
4. During the open business portion of the meeting the Board discussed the possibility of having volunteers work in the library but no action was taken. Also discussed were building repairs needed.
5. At 9:15 the meeting was adjourned.