

MINUTES
NEWBERG PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
OCTOBER 15, 1987

PRESENT:

BOARD MEMBERS

Judy Elliott
Mary Kerns
LaVerne McIntosh

STAFF

Doreen Turpen

OTHERS

Bonnie Arbogast
Eldon McIntosh

ABSENT:

Stew Harris
Gerry Harthun

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m. by LaVerne McIntosh.

MOTION: Elliott/Kerns to accept the consent calendar.
Motion carried.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT:

AUTOMATION PROJECT: Over 14,000 books have been entered into the system. Staff is revising the proposed schedule for starting circulation. Rather than trying to implement circulation in October or November, they will move that starting date to January. The number of programs occurring in November were making it difficult to plan properly for circulation.

STAFF CHANGES: Marilyn Jarmusch has been selected as library clerk. Pamilla Frost has been hired to fill the work study position.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM: While the number of children participating was up, the overall circulation of children's books was down slightly and the number of books recorded for the program was down significantly. This may be due to more of a "do it yourself" approach to the program.

LIBRARY FRIENDS: The Friends have authorized purchase of another block of microfilm of the Newberg Graphic. They also paid for purchase and the installation of two instant hot water taps for work areas. They will be holding a book sale in November.

HEALTH FAIR: The library had a booth at the recent Health Fair. The booth was manned by members of the library Friends. Debbie had prepared an extensive booklist of health related titles. It was made available at the booth along with a bookmark with library hours that the Friends have had

printed.

OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER PROGRAMS: There are several programs in the planning stages for the upcoming months. Karen is working with a local dentist for another Halloween party. This year's event will feature a story teller as the main attraction. Karen is also developing publicity for the visit by Steven Kellogg. She has created a Pinkerton story and picture contest that will be judged by members of the Library Friends. The entries will be bound and presented to Steven Kellogg as a way of thanking him for coming to Newberg.

The first week of November will also be highlighted by another Meet the Experts day. This one will be held during the library's regular hours and will feature local arts, including painting, sculpture, dance, music, and theater. It is being coordinated by volunteer Ellen Bailey.

Children's Book Week will not have any special programs, but will be marked by a display being created by yet another volunteer.

GRANT PROPOSAL: A grant was submitted to the LSCA Advisory Board. It is for a program to emphasize the importance of read aloud as an activity to increase reading readiness and reading skills. The grant proposal includes elements of cooperation between the school district and the public library; school personnel were active in creating the proposal.

ART WORK ON DISPLAY: The library currently has three pieces of sculpture by local artist Russell Stebbins. He has shown his work at museums and galleries throughout the country.

LIBRARY DISTRICT PROCESS: The City of Newberg has accepted the findings of the advisory committee. The City of Dundee has decided to take no action supporting the formation of the district and prefers to have its citizens vote separately on any issue that may be presented.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was nothing new to present on policies or the planning process so Board members moved next to discussion of a proposed plaque for recognition of Eagle scouts.

NEW BUSINESS:

EAGLE SCOUT RECOGNITION PLAQUE: The librarian reported that she had been approached by representatives of a local Boy Scout troop with a request that the library accept and display a plaque that honors local youth who have achieved

the status of Eagle scout. Board members discussed the idea. Mary suggested that the library could consider developing a community recognition area. Conditions of accepting the plaque were raised. Questions were also asked about the material used and the size of the plaque. The librarian was directed to have the plaque at the next meeting if possible. Further discussion would be held at that time.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.