

MINUTES:

NEWBERG PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

July 14, 1988

PRESENT:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Laverne McIntosh
Pat Landis
Judy Elliott
Mary Kerns

STAFF:

Doreen Turpen

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Laverne McIntosh

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

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT:

AUTOMATION PROJECT: The tables for the PAC terminals should be ready by mid-August.

PROGRAMS: Karen provided training to representatives of the Chehalem Park and Recreation District. She gave them information on how to conduct a story time and has been providing materials for them to use each week for the Summer in the Parks programs that they conduct.

BUILDING/CONTRACTOR ISSUES: The front doors have been repaired, but it is still likely that they will need additional work or replacement as the repairs are not expected to completely take care of the underlying problems that we have.

WORKROOM REORGANIZATION: Selection has been completed for the furniture and equipment for the upper level workroom. Work should be completed in late August and early September.

AY/MEDIA ROOM DESIGN PROGRESS: Meetings with the architect have still not occurred and there is no further progress to report.

CHILDREN'S AGENDA: The librarian has been participating in the Yamhill County task force meetings to develop a response to the Governor's call for action regarding children's issues. There is one more public meeting scheduled. That one is to hear testimony from the public regarding recommendations being made by the task force.

RESULTS OF CITY SURVEY: The City recently conducted a survey to gain public input about City services. There were several questions about the library that were drafted to assist with decision making for future service levels. The responses indicated that there was some support for longer hours and additional funds for more materials for the library. However,

overall, the library, when compared with other perceived needs, received low priority for additional support. A brief rebuttal was made at the July Council meeting to the consultant's comments that indicated that usage of the library was low. A comparison with nationwide patterns shows that we have a pattern of usage that is very typical, and in some cases, higher than average.

INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM WORKSHOP: Debbie Ratzloff was given a leave of absence to attend a course on Intellectual Freedom that was held at the University of Idaho. She has shared some of the worksheets and a manual that she received.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

No action was taken on the Planning Process or the Book Selection Policy

NEW BUSINESS:

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

MOTION: Elliott/Landis to elect LaVerne McIntosh as Chair. Motion carried.

MOTION: Elliott/Landis to elect Mary Kerns as Vice-Chair. Motion carried.

LONG-RANGE BUDGET FOR LIBRARY: Discussion was held on the development of a budget that could last three to five years. This was in response to the need of the City to develop a figure for a new tax base. Board members made the following requests:

- * plan for staff to be available in the children's library during all open hours.
- * Increase the book stock
- * plan for adequate shelving help
- * develop a proposed budget that would allow the library to maintain current services, including keeping current with technology and access to technology and services to meet public demand.

CHEMEKETA CONTRACT: The annual contract with Chemeketa has been received. Board members agreed to support the continuance of that contract.

MOTION: Kerns/Elliott to not have a meeting in August; next meeting to be September 19. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.