

Minutes
Newberg Public Library Board
Tuesday , November 15, 1994

Present: Board Members: Richard Gehrts, David King, Dorothy Rogers, Linda Marshall, Donna Read
Staff: Leah Griffith

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. Donna Read was welcomed as the newly appointed Board member. She is filling the unexpired term of Jane Poole and will serve until June 1996.

Consent Calendar:

It was moved and seconded to approve the consent calendar items (October Board minutes and September & October statistical report).

Business:

The Director reported on the Internet Access. Patrons can now access the Internet through one of the public terminals upstairs. Staff are providing some assistance and working on some handouts to assist patrons in using the information highway.

The Children's Room update is almost complete. We're still waiting for a panel that wasn't ordered and the wall board should be up shortly. It's been working out great for both staff and volunteers. New lighting will the project for next year.

CCRLS will have a bill before the legislature in January to remove its funds from the school side of taxation and place it under the general government side of taxation. Senator Derfler of the Salem area will be taking this to the floor and he is confident that it should have an easy passage. This is vital as without it, CCRLS's funding will be reduced 50% and many of the programs and services will be cut.

The Board began discussion on goal setting for its activities for 1994-95. Some ideas discussed were:

To serve as a catalyst to inspire groups to use the library for their personal interests

Technology improvements

Home School support

Work with the Foundation

Work on any election activities

Develop a higher community profile with programs, speakers, public forums, Open

House featuring technology, weekly/monthly column in the Graphic.

Work with businesses to have them support special programs.

The Board will spend their December Meeting under further discussion regarding their goals for 1994-95.

The City tax base election failed, however it was close and a recount may be held. How this may affect the Library is unknown at this time.

Director's Report:

The director's report was mailed.

Items for Next Month's Agenda

Further Discussion on the Board Goals and Activities for 1994-95

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Leah M. Griffith, Library Director

Approved