Minutes Newberg Public Library Board Thursday, March 16, 1995

Present:

Board Members: Richard Gehrts, Dorothy Rogers, Linda Marshall, Donna Read

Staff: Leah Griffith

Guest: Terry Mahr, City Attorney

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by chair, Richard Gehrts.

Consent Calendar:

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

Business:

The library serial levy was discussed. City Attorney Terry Mahr informed the Board that as a Board they cannot advocate a yes or no vote as that would require the expenditure of public funds to have it placed in the minutes by the Library Director. They can however make statements or write a letter to editor stating that "as a Library Board member I encourage you to vote yes". The City has a responsibility to explain and educate the citizens on the serial levy, but not to advocate a yes or no vote. The City and the Library will be putting out information on the serial levy in a newsletter and at the Library with the City Attorney reviewing all material.

The Library District concept was discussed. It was decided to see how the serial levy turns out before moving any further along with the process It may be appropriate to conduct a survey to find out if their is support for a Chehalem Valley Library District before proceeding.

The Oregon Senate and House have approved the CCRLS legislative funding change. It is now going to the Governor for his signature. If it passes CCRLS will have sufficient funding for 1995-96.

Library Week is April 10-16 and events are planned for the week. A genealogist, special story times, a sing a long, and a game day will be held to celebrate the Library.

The Volunteer Recognition Event is set for Monday, April 24 at 3:30 (2:30 for the special book sale). Board members are invited to attend.

Director's Report:

The director's report was mailed. Dorothy Rogers expressed appreciation for the activities of the Library Director.

Items for Next Month's Agenda

Next months meeting will be held on April 18th

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

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