Minutes Newberg Public Library Board Tuesday September 17, 1996

Present: Board Members: Donna Read, Linda Marshall, David King, Linda Sartwell,

James Allgood

Staff: Leah Griffith

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm by chair Donna Read

Consent Calendar:

It was moved and seconded to approve the August Board Minutes and the July Statistical report. The May, June, and August statistical reports will be considered in October, due to clerical errors on the printouts distributed.

Business:

Donna Read was reelected chair and Linda Marshall vice-chair for 1996-97.

The OPEN Internet connection is almost up and running for the public. Staff training needs to occur as well as the hiring of the Reference Aide to assist the public with the use of this new resource. Mid-October is the planned start date. The dial-in service is available now and in October a public information campaign will occur to encourage local people to participate.

The Board reviewed the City Ordinance regarding the Library Board. A discussion ensued on the number of board members and it was decided to leave it at the current five. The number of meetings a board member may miss before being removed was changed from five to three. The other major change was to have the Library Board interview prospective members and make recommendations to the City Council for their approval. The appointment of board members would also be done by the City Council rather than the Mayor. It was moved by Jim Allgood, seconded by Linda Marshall to approve the draft as amended and to have the Director take the policy to the City Manager for his review and bring it back to the Board for final approval in October or November.

The Bulletin Board and Readerboard policies were reviewed with the minor changes to have Library messages take precedence on the readerboard and small syntax changes for both policies. It was moved by Linda Marshall and seconded by Jim Allgood to approve the both the Readerboard and Bulletin Board policies as revised.

Director's Report:

The Director's report was mailed

Staff are interviewing for the children's position as well as the reference position, George Fox workstudy and reference aide. Hopefully all positions will be filled by mid-October.

The Scholarship program has had its first application and the individual was approved and has received her card.

Items for Next Month's Agenda

Mary Ginnane of the Oregon State Library will present information on the formation of Library Districts in Oregon at the October meeting. Because of the interest in the topic, other agenda items will be set for the November meeting. The October meeting will start at 7 pm to take care of the consent calendar items with the presentation from the Oregon State Library slated to begin at 7:15 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Leah M. Griffith, Library Director

Approved