Minutes Newberg Public Library Board Tuesday January 21, 1997

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

Board Members Absent: 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 November & December Board Minutes and the November & December Statistical Report.

Business:

The 15% and 30% cutbacks for Measure 47 were discussed. Both options would result in shortened hours and layoffs of staff as well as reduced materials budgets. The Board discussed what their activity should be in the next few months to show their support for the library. The Director will keep them informed of Budget Hearings and other times when their presence is needed.

CCRLS will be looking at a budget reduction of 20% or so with Measure 47. One option being discussed is to allow non-city residents in CCRLS to have a card that allows them to check out 2-3 books at a time, which reflects their tax support of the library system (@ \$7 per household). Then if they wanted full service they could purchase a card for \$30 or so which would allow them to have full check out privileges. This is due to the disparity of what a taxpayer is a city pays (in McMinnville it is \$51 per household) versus what the rural taxpayer pays (\$7 per household). This is being studied and will be decided by the Chemeketa Community College Board.

Director's Report:

The Director's report was mailed. The Library Friends held their annual meeting in January and had over 30 people attend. Their new membership program has brought in quite a few new members and increased the revenue considerably. The Library Foundation did not meet in January.

Items for Next Month's Agenda

The next meeting is scheduled for February 18, 1997

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

eah M. Griffith Library Director

Approved