

**Minutes
Newberg Public Library Board
Tuesday February 18, 1997**

Present: Board Members: Donna Read, James Allgood, David King, Linda Sartwell,
Board Members Absent: Linda Marshall
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 January, 1997 Board Minutes.

Business:

The situation with Measure 47 were discussed. The Budget Committee has asked the city staff to put together the information on what a serial levy to return the library to 1996-97 levels would look like. The City Council will be discussing this at their March 3rd meeting. The Board discussed a variety of issues in relation to a levy, including the difficulty in getting a levy passed, that May is too soon to know what the real picture of cutbacks could be, and that the city should stand behind the library and support it. The Board felt that the public needed to see cutbacks, but that they should be done without bitterness and should be done looking at the big picture. Board members will plan to attend the March 3rd Council meeting to express their concerns that a serial levy in May is too soon and wouldn't be a positive situation for the library or the city.

CCRLS will be looking at a budget reduction of 20% or so with Measure 47.

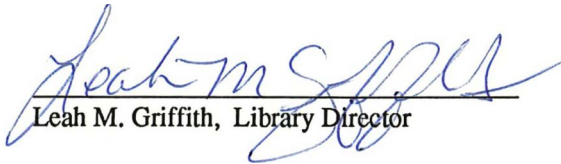
Director's Report:

The Director's report was mailed.

Items for Next Month's Agenda

The next meeting is scheduled for March 18, 1997, unless a special meeting is needed for discussion of a serial levy. The Board will return to a schedule of reviewing policies in March.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.


Leah M. Griffith, Library Director


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