

Minutes
Newberg Public Library Board
Tuesday May 20, 1997

Present: Board Members: Donna Read, James Allgood, David King, Linda Sartwell,
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 April 15, 1997 minutes and the April 1997 statistical report.

Business:

The situation with Measures 47/50 was discussed. A group called Oregonians for Libraries is lobbying the State Legislature to include "Bridge Funding for Libraries" for this biennium. This would probably be in the form of grants to libraries to put back hours, services, staff lost due to Measure 47.

The library budget for 97-98 was discussed. It has been passed by the Budget Committee and next goes to the City Council for their approval. Information to the public regarding new hours will be presented on June 17th, the day after the Council approves the budget. The proposed hours will be 5 hours less than we currently offer (3 hours from Wednesday evening and 2 hours from Saturday morning).

The Long Range Planning Process for 1998-2003 was discussed. Some names suggested for serving on the committee were, Rich Peterson, Richard Gherts, Patty Sorensen, Donna McCain, Bob Weaver, Nicole Perez, Patsy Ingal, Marcia Garrick, and Irene Rose. Board members were to contact a number of these people to find out if they would be interested. The plan will probably highlight services to seniors and small children, technology and funding.

Director's Report:

The Director's report was mailed. The biggest news is that Marty Trolan, who has served the Library over 3 years as volunteer coordinator, is leaving to join her husband in Idaho where he has taken a new position. Advertising for the opening and interviews will be completed by early June.

We had a boy scout fall from an outside planter while his pack were doing a community service project here of weeding. 911 was called and he was taken to the Hospital but he has recovered fully.

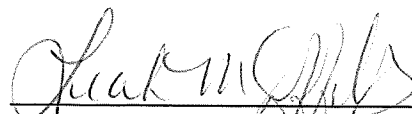
Linda Marshall will be completing her term on the Board in June. The revision of the Board Ordinance should be going to the Council soon and when it is approved, a new board member will be selected using that criteria.

The Library Foundation will be meeting to distribute \$4,000 in grants to the library for a variety of programs. This is the first year the Foundation will be distributing 5% of its assets for library activities.

Items for Next Month's Agenda

The next meeting is scheduled for June 17, 1997. The Planning Committee/Process will be discussed as well a goodbye to Linda Marshall for her service to the Library.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.



Leah M. Griffith, Library Director

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