

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

Present: Board Members: Linda Sartwell, Donna Read, James Allgood, David King,
Debbie Headley
Staff: Leah Griffith

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm by chair Linda Sartwell

Consent Calendar:

It was moved and seconded to approve the October 21, 1997 minutes with the change of the meeting date made. The October 1997 statistical report was also approved.

Business:

The Long Range Planning Process was discussed. The first meeting was held in October and the group had an extensive orientation as well as a beginning discussion of what a library should be in the 1990's. The group will meet again on November 20th. The director related the staff idea for a patron survey for January using a location in the lobby to have people simply indicate their preferences for services by placing a tag on the services they value. This idea will be presented to the Planning Committee for further development.

The Oregon State Library Statistical Report was distributed and approved.

The Library Advocacy materials from the October workshop were distributed and discussed. Debbie Headley and Jim Allgood along with Jeanne Hesedahl from the Friends and the director attended the workshop. Board members will review the materials and further discuss it at next months meeting.

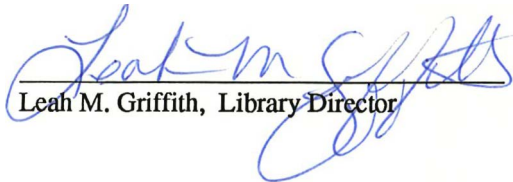
Director's Report:

The Director's report was mailed. In addition, a grant has been submitted to Mid-Willamette Valley Regional Development for a study on the feasibility of a county wide library district. The Foundation will be receiving \$45,000 from Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Gettman in December. The director related that some patrons are personally blaming the children's librarian for the break in storytime in November and December and she is planning on making it very clear in the future that the breaks for storytimes are needed due to budget constraints and staffing limitations and not on the personal whims of an employee.

Items for Next Month's Agenda

The next meeting is scheduled for December 16, 1997. Advocacy planning as well as a review of the planning committees activities will be on the agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.


Leah M. Griffith, Library Director

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