Tillamook County Library Board Minutes – October 9, 2018

Board Members Present: (n) Shiela Zerngast, (y) Betsy Chase, (y) Chris Chiola, (y) Bob Favret, (y) Cheryl Hantke, (y) Ruth LaFrance (y) Neal Lemery

Staff Present: (y) Sara Charlton, (y) Sarah Beeler, (y) Bill Landau (y) Jessica Darling

Guest Present: none

Prior to the meeting, Betsy Chase gave an overview of her recent Boston Public Library tour and the ways they are meeting the library mandate of being a center for the community. They call it *'the living room of the city.'*

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chris Chiola at 12:05 am

Motion was made to approve the September minutes by Neal Lemery, seconded by Ruth LaFrance, all in favor.

Budget Report:

Clock repair was paid out of the reserve fund. The fund is intended for large, non-routine building projects. Routine maintenance, such as yearly elevator and furnace maintenance are paid out of R & M Building and Grounds.

Motion was made to approve the September budget by Bob Favret, seconded by Betsy Chase, all in favor.

Director's Report:

County Counsel is pursing the theft and attempted online sale of library DVDs. The patron involved will probably be banned when the trial is over.

The Director attended the Library Directors of Oregon meeting in Bend. She attended an in-depth review of the newly revised Standards for Oregon Public Libraries. There was also an excellent presentation by the FCC asking for library involvement in educating seniors about cell phones and protecting them from phone scams. The FCC's reasoning is that libraries are the 'trusted places' in a community.

Upon survey input completion, Penny Hummel will update the yearly report card.

The Tillamook County Futures Council requested that Ruth Metz rewrite the Strategic Plan, Phase One contract prior to their involvement. Mary Groves will be the Council's representative at the Library Futures Committee meetings and will report back to the Council. Saturday at 10 AM is the first scheduled meeting.

The board sought and received clarification on their role in these meetings. They will act as observers. As process owners, the work is being done at their request and results will come back to them.

Sara will contact Ruth about what materials to provide participants. Light snacks will be served.

The October 26th Oceanbook's Conference is shaping up well. It begins at 9:00 am and ends at 4:00 pm. Highlights include: Photography by Bill Landau; a Guatemala Spanish book library purchasing group; the Oregon Library Association President and a bookmobile session, with the Tillamook County Bookmobile.

The Director will be the chair of the ALA Public Library Association Advocacy Committee, which meets in January and June. The legal issues forum has proven useful to our library. Neal Lemery made the motion to approve the Director's attendance at the ALA in January, Ruth LaFrance seconded, all in favor.

Betsy Chase distributed a first draft compilation of data we currently collect and how it is utilized. It will be a discussed at a later date.

Sara has utilized the *The E's of Libraries*[®] a program by the ALA promoting public awareness of all that today's libraries help facilitate: Education, Employment, Entrepreneurship, Empowerment, and Engagement for Everyone, Everywhere. She is now on the national ALA *"E Committee."*

Neal Lemery expressed appreciation to Sarah Beeler and Jessica Darling for their work on the Law Library. He contacted the state bar association and Sarah followed up on their material recommendations. She has also reached out to the Hillsboro Legal Aid group and encouraged them to use our facilities for local meetings. The circuit court called recently to request additional brochures.

There will be an evening with Nancy Pearl, America's Librarian in conversation with April Baer from OPB on Saturday, November 20th in Manzanita. This is a joint offering by the North Tillamook Library Friends Group and the Hoffman Center for the Arts

Sarah Beeler reported that over 2000 seed packets have been donated for the 2019 Seed Library. Additional seeds will be received from the Oregon Food Bank.

Meeting adjourned by Chris Chiola at 1:10

Sincerely and respectfully submitted, Jessica Darling

The next board meeting will be Tuesday November 13, 2018, 12:00pm