

Tillamook County Library Board Minutes – January 21, 2016

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

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

Guests Present: See attendance sheet in Director's office.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:03 by Chris Chiola.

Public Input: Public comment was received from parents concerned about children's programs and the use of volunteers in the Children's Room. The Board thanked the public for their comments.

Approval of the Minutes & Bills: Ruth LaFrance moved to accept the minutes. Bob Favret seconded. The minutes were approved. Betsy Chase moved to accept the budget as reported. Cheryl Hantke seconded. The budget was approved.

Director's Report:

Sara would like to have the engineer who provided specifications for the furnace do an inspection. The results of his inspection will help us decide if we should continue to repair the current furnace or get a new one. It was the consensus of the Board to go ahead with the inspection.

The RFID project has been completed at all Tillamook County Libraries. The collection at the Newport Public Library has also been tagged. We will start using RFID once the Driftwood Library in Lincoln City completes their tagging project, probably in March.

Sara is working on the Bay City Branch contract. She has also reached out to the community of Oceanside and was the guest speaker at the last Oceanside Community Club meeting. She presented an overview of some of the services available at Tillamook County Libraries.

Sara will be speaking with a former employee of the Multnomah Public Library about starting a literacy program for adults.

Richard Turi will hold a public meeting on February 24, 2016, 4-6pm to get design ideas for the lot next door. Sara will present his plans to the Board and Foundation.

Marietta Butler, longtime library patron, gave a large donation. Sara asked the Board about naming a study room after her to memorialize her contributions to Tillamook County Libraries. Betsy Chase asked if there is a written policy about naming.

Other Business:

Cheryl Hantke asked about the North Tillamook Library renovation. Bill Landau, Branch Manager, reported that the project is going well. Materials have been cleared from the shelves and renovations are underway. The Bookmobile will be parking at the North Tillamook Library branch on Saturdays from 10am-3pm.

Penny Hummel of Penny Hummel Consulting shared a PowerPoint presentation on library programming statistics. She also took a few minutes to share information about the survey draft. Betsy Chase asked Board members to help create a list of groups/organizations to contact when the survey link goes live.

Shiela Zerngast adjourned the meeting at 1:11pm.

Sincerely and respectfully submitted,

Sarah Beeler