

Tillamook County Library Board Minutes – July 21, 2016

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

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

Guests Present: none

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:05pm.

Public Input: none

Approval of the Minutes & Bills: Motion to approve made by Ruth LaFrance and seconded by Cheryl Hantke, all in favor.

Penny Hummel Consulting Report:

The annual survey results were distributed and reviewed. Next year it will be distributed earlier in the year and for a longer period. Increasing non-user feedback will be targeted.

There was discussion of Facebook and ways to boost posts and use ads.

Director's Report:

The new Teen Librarian, Angela Arena, was introduced.

The board approved the purchase of Hoopla which will allow patrons to instantly borrow digital movies, eBooks, audiobooks, comics and TV programs. Hoopla has been very popular with Newport patrons and our patrons have been asking for Hoopla titles. We will begin with four checkouts per patron/per month. Hoopla complements OverDrive, it doesn't replace it. There are no 'holds' with Hoopla and it is easy to use, so training questions should be minimal.

OverDrive Advantage titles have been purchased for Tillamook County Library patrons. This will reduce the amount of time our patrons wait for popular titles.

The 2016-2017 budget was discussed. The major item for this year will be the purchase of a new furnace with two boilers.

Sara asked the board for approval to allow a staff member to get married at the Tillamook County Library on a Sunday in February. The board was unanimous in their approval.

Sara went to the ALA Annual Conference & Exhibition as a representative from the Public Library Association Legislation and Advocacy Committee, representing rural concerns. She reported on conference highlights and shared information on adult literacy, bookmobiles and architectural trends.

There was discussion of the relief Bookmobile driver position changing to 30 hours per week and a Library Assistant 3. This should broaden the pool of candidates.

A volunteer form has been approved by Tillamook County.

The South Tillamook County Library may start participating in the Farmers Market on Sundays in Pacific City. The Farmers Market is held next to the South Tillamook County Library Branch and it would be a good opportunity for outreach to the community.

The recent bark dust fire, in the Library Parking lot across Stillwell, resulted in a reckless burning conviction.

The summer reading program is going well. The Library will host 87 programs this summer.

The 10th Anniversary Birthday Party for Main will be celebrated on September 30th and October 1st. Party plans are being finalized and may include music groups, tours, a reception and ribbon cutting, outdoor garden introduction, construction slide show, mural artist guest speakers and mementos.

The Fall Newsletter will be distributed in the September 20th *Shopper*.

Shiela Zerngast adjourned the meeting at approximately 1:15pm.

Sincerely and respectfully submitted,

Jessica Darling