



APPROVED: _____

CITY OF ALBANY
ALBANY PUBLIC LIBRARY
LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD
MARCH 30, 2010

MINUTES

Board members present: Chris Dunn, Scott Givens, Heather Huzefka, Krist Obrist, Karyn Walker,

Staff present: Ed Gallagher, Library Director; Kathy Grosso, Administrative Assistant I

CALL TO ORDER

Walker called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 23, 2010, MINUTES

Dunn made a motion to approve the minutes. Huzefka seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

PUBLIC FORUM

None.

MANELA INVOICES

Mattingly made a motion to approve payment of the Manela invoices. Dunn seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

LIBRARY FOUNDATION

Gallagher said the basement project at the Carnegie Library is progressing well. Fitzgerald Painting is doing the painting and refinishing work, however, the floors are not being done at this time. Gallagher said it's looking like an historic room.

Now, the Foundation is working toward formulating a plan to fund-raise in the community. Also, they would like to meet annually with the Library Board and Friends of the Library Board.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Gallagher distributed his proposed Fiscal Year 2010/2011 budget that will be presented to the Budget Committee in mid May. Personnel Services costs went up because of an increase in insurance costs and the COLAs for AFSCME employees (Nonbargaining and Executive groups did not receive a cost-of-living increase this past fiscal year and will not in the upcoming year). Materials & Services is the only place where he could make budget cuts. Gallagher said he decided against asking the Oregon Community Foundation (OCF) to fund a position, rather he will ask them for \$170,000, the Albany Public Library Foundation (APLF) for \$25,000, and the Friends of the Albany Public Library (FOL) for \$10,000. The overall cut in the book budget will be between \$40,000-\$50,000. If it becomes necessary to cut personnel, he would possibly have to cut open hours. He said he'd be prepared to talk to the Budget Committee regarding a library district.

Also, he has discussed with Maria Delapoer, GAPS Superintendent, regarding the possibility opening school libraries in neighborhoods during the summer, which could be staffed by Library employees, volunteers, and students.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Huzefka suggested it would be good to have a retreat with the other Library affiliated boards, possibly at the Carnegie reopening, to brainstorm fund-raising and ways to promote the Library benefits to the community.

Gallagher said staff would like to limit the number of check outs for the Wii Games because of the Library's limited number of games for check out and the high demand. Dunn made a motion to support Library staff recommendations for limiting the number of video games that may be checked out by patrons. Obrist seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

NEXT MEETING DATE: April 27, 2010

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Recorded by,

Ed Gallagher
Library Director

Kathy Grosso
Administrative Assistant I