

TIMBERLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES RETREAT
Sylvester Room, Urban Onion, Olympia, WA

June 1, 2002

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Art Blauvelt, President; Ken Bragg; Edna Fund; Peggy Meyer; Pat Shults; Janelle Williams

STAFF PRESENT: Thelma Kruse; Tina Roose; Mike Wessells; Art Wuerth

GUEST PRESENT: Gene Weaver

The Timberland Regional Library Board of Trustees retreat began at 10:15 a.m.

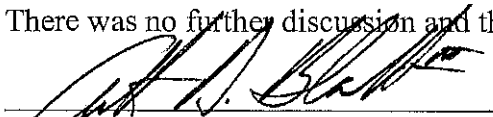
Agenda items included (1) Economic Projections and Revenue Trends; (2) Budget Priorities for 2003 – Goals and Process; (3) TCTV Partnership – Filming of TRL Board Meetings; (4) Internet Policy and Internet Access Plan Review.

Mr. Wuerth presented a 10-year projection of general and capital funds revenues and expenditures, levy rates without lid lifts, and levy rates with lid lifts. There was discussion about how to determine when to have a levy lid lift vote. The 2003 budget priorities, goals and process was discussed. Staff's suggestions of priorities for 2003 are (1) maintain open hours and access to high quality in-library services; (2) maintain high quality remote (outside of library electronic services), most of which are available 24 hours per day 7 days per week; (3) maintain a diverse collection in various formats; (4) maintain high quality outreach services, including service to the underserved. A proposed budget process schedule was presented.

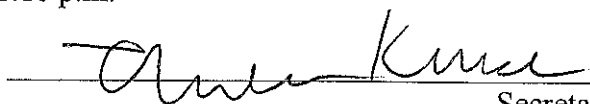
Filming of TRL Board meetings by TCTV was discussed. The Board was presented with an updated memo regarding logistics and costs for TCTV to televise TRL Board meetings, and a memo regarding plans for TRL and the South Sound Reading Foundation to partner with TCTV to produce story times. Points expressed by Board members: since several counties do not have public television access, coverage of Board meetings would be inequitable; not in favor of spending TRL money for taping Board meetings; in favor of story time videotaping and covering meetings without spending TRL money; taping of meetings would be good PR, would provide openness and open government and allow some people who cannot attend meetings to watch them on TV; it would provide a way to get our message out as we consider levies; without TRL funding volunteers would be needed in each location to film and edit.

The next steps in review of TRL's Internet Policy were discussed. The Board approved an Internet Access Plan in July 2000 and at that time agreed to review the matter in July 2002. The process for review will be discussed by the Policy Review Committee at its June 7 meeting.

There was no further discussion and the retreat ended at 2:10 p.m.



President



Secretary