August 5, 2002

MINUTES

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

STAFF PRESENT: Bette Anderson; Judy Covell; Gwen Culp; Susan Hanson; Thelma Kruse; Art Wuerth

President Blauvelt called the budget work session to order at 6:00 p.m.

The agenda included review of revenue projections, review of expense projections, discussion of the estimated shortfall, and review of the budget calendar. A copy of the 2003 General Fund estimated revenues and expenditures which was distributed at the meeting is attached to the original of these minutes.

Board member expressed their budget priorities.

Mr. Blauvelt requested no change in hours and to reach out to youth of all ethnic backgrounds. Ms. Williams requested no change in hours, keep remote access available, continue partnerships with schools, and maintain the materials budget at 16%. Ms. Meyer requested more self-service, no change in hours, maintain the materials budget at 16%, support for a diverse collection, and outreach to the underserved. Ms. Shults requested to maintain hours at current level and collection at 16%, make outreach a priority and look at where it is working best (especially for youth and ethnic populations), continue the Connect boxes, and target specific people such as youth and ethnic populations. Mr. Bragg requested outreach to juveniles, cutting hours in the smaller libraries, charge the City of Montesano, look at allocation for computers, look at combining the South Bend and Raymond libraries, establish a policy on grants (i.e. replacement of computers provided by the Gates grant), establish a Capital Facilities Plan, fund a new Olympia Library, review services to businesses, provide adequate facilities, and televise TRL Board meetings. Ms. Fund requested to continue open hours, review salaries and structure, market electronic services, market meeting rooms, provide signs about services that we legally must provide, supply Braille handouts. Mr. Weaver seconded Ms. Fund’s suggestions, and added that we look into charging for copies and meeting rooms.

President

Secretary