

TIMBERLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
North Mason Timberland Regional Library
Wednesday, August 27, 2008
7:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Judy Weaver, Edna Fund, John Braun, Bob Hall, Dick Nichols, and Stephen Hardy.

BOARD MEMBER EXCUSED: Jo-Ann Andrews.

STAFF PRESENT: Jodi Reng, Michael Crose, Jeff Kleingartner, Mike Wessells, Gwen Culp, Judy Covell, Patty Ayala-Ross, Jenny Grenfell, and Marian Thompson.

OTHERS PRESENT: Lynn Coffman, Lori Bloom, Craig Hanson.

President Pro Tem Judy Weaver welcomed everyone and then called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM

1. Bob Hall led the pledge of allegiance.
2. Self-introductions of all present were made.
3. Approval of Agenda –
08-30 BOB HALL MOVED TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING AND EDNA FUND SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.
4. Focus on the Local Library – Jenny Grenfell welcomed everyone to the North Mason Timberland Library in Belfair on behalf of Victoria Rexford, Library Manager, and all of the staff. Ms. Grenfell thanked the North Mason Friends for all their help getting the meal and meeting room ready. She then read the Focus on the Library prepared by Ms. Rexford who was out of state attending to family matters.

5. Correspondence/Public/Board Comments

- a. There was no correspondence. However, Jodi Reng asked that a Certificate of Appreciation be signed for Dorothy O'Loughlin. Dorothy served as outreach coordinator for the Lacey Timberland Library for more than 27-years. Her devotion and service are to be commemorated in a traveling trophy: The Dorothy O'Loughlin Distinguished Volunteer Service Award.
- b. There was no public comment.
- c. Board Comment – Bob Hall mentioned that it was a very good dinner.

6. Executive Director's Report

- a. Early Learning Public Library Partnership (ELPLP) – Last year Jodi Reng brought to the Board's attention the ELPLP proposal and felt at that time the money required to be a partner was too much for no definitive set plan. The Board agreed at that time. ELPLP now is more organized and it would be to TRL's benefit to join. However, the membership fee is \$18,000 which Ms. Reng felt was not a possibility at this time but she proposed that TRL could perhaps provide in-kind services such as printing and/or training programs. ELPLP has no paid staff but is being guided by the Pierce County Library Director and the Fort Vancouver Library Director. After a discussion, it was agreed that Ms. Reng would find out what the value of our in-kind printing and our training programs, including salary and mileage, would be and report back to the Board.
- b. TRT – Communications 101 – Jeff Kleingartner explained the publicity plan that will be used for the 2008 Timberland Reads Together *A Wizard of Earthsea* including banner ads, posters, brochures, news releases, radio public service announcements, etc.
- c. Community Reports – Mike Wessells stated that in addition to his written report he has had a conversation with the Mayor of Napavine concerning Napavine joining TRL and possibly having library service and the steps that need to be taken for that to happen.

- d. Service Stories – Jodi Reng reminded the Board of the great stories from our libraries indicating what an impact TRL has on the communities and suggested that the Trustees read them at their leisure.

The President pro tem called for a 10-minute break. The Meeting came back to order at 7:55 p.m.

8. Financial Report – Michael Crose presented the financial report, highlighting various expenses and revenues that have occurred during the normal course of business.
9. Voucher Report – Michael Crose presented the voucher statements, highlighting various expenses, and declared that the voucher report showed the normal flow of business.

10. Consent Agenda

08-31. BOB HALL MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA WHICH INCLUDED THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 27, 2008 BOARD MEETING, PAYROLL VOUCHERS #47806 THROUGH #47966 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,186,120.71; AND OTHER VOUCHERS #90954 THROUGH #91280 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$416,004.93); DICK NICHOLS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

11. There was no new business.

12. Discussion Items

- a. Levy Lid Lift - Michael Crose distributed a spreadsheet indicating the approximate cost of the levy lid lift being on the ballot in each county. The aggregate amount of a District-wide ballot measure would be approximately \$408,000 but would depend on whether other measures might be on the same ballot. Jodi Reng requested that the Board members e-mail her with their questions so that, at the Board Budget Workshop, all their questions concerning the budget and levy lid lift would be answered. Mr. Crose stated that he felt that the levy lid lift would have a better chance of passing if the election were held in the early part of the year and, therefore, he was recommending the February 2009 election would be the best time for TRL. Ms. Reng stated that a decision must be made at least 90 days before a proposed election and she hoped the Board would consider making the decision at the

- September Board meeting after the Budget Committee meeting and the Board Budget Workshop.
- b. Chehalis Tribe - Mike Wessells has been in discussion with the Chehalis Tribe on the possibility of a TRL kiosk at a tribal center. After a discussion, it was suggested that a tally be started showing what the "add-ons" to the budget would be for new libraries (Lacey), kiosks, expanded service, etc.
 - c. Board Budget Committee and Budget Workshop - After discussion, it was decided that the Board Budget Committee will meet on September 17 at 10 a.m. in Montesano and the Board Workshop will be held on September 23 at the Service Center from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

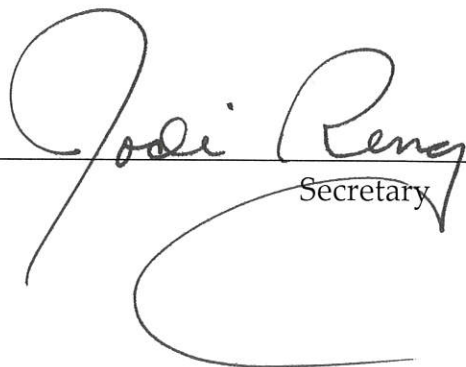
08-32. DICK NICHOLS MOVED TO SET TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, AT 2 P.M. AS A SPECIAL BOARD MEETING FOR THE PURPOSES OF A BOARD BUDGET WORKSHOP TO BE HELD AT THE SERVICE CENTER. BOB HALL SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

At 9:00 p.m., the President pro tem called for an Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 §(g) and (i) concerning possible litigation.

The meeting was called back to order at 9:14 p.m. and there being no further business, President pro tem Judy Weaver adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m.



President - Pro Tem



Secretary