

Wasco County Library Service District

Board Meeting

May 19, 2015

Location: The Dalles Library

Board Members Present: Mary Beechler, Corliss Marsh, Margaret Brewer, Rita Rathkey, Carolyn Wood

Staff Present:

The Dalles: Jeff Wavrunek

Dufur: Sarah Tierney

Maupin: Valerie Stephenson

Meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m. by Chairman Mary Beechler

Minutes: The April minutes were approved as submitted

Recognition of visitors and interested parties: There were no visitors

Additions to agenda: No additions

Shared concerns of the board:

Mary Beechler gave a brief history of the Tygh Valley library and the Service District's involvement; including how regular visits by the library van used to be made. This is a volunteer library; the Service District does not purchase books. The District does provide a computer and Wi-Fi service. Mary also gave a brief history of the service we provide to Shaniko. We currently provide computer service there as well. She would like to see funding continued for Wi-Fi access for both of these locations, as well as resuming regular van visits to Tygh Valley which will receive once a month van visits starting in June.

Rita Rathkey was excited about a workshop she attended at the Oregon Library Association conference. Next Generation Science Standards: was about how the teaching of science is changing in Oregon, it is no longer linear. They said libraries should be sure when ordering books that they are following the new teaching method.

Carolyn Wood went to a workshop on self-publishing that she found very interesting. Many different websites and types of software were mentioned for use, but the two top ones were Insight and Photoshop. (It was then asked if our public computers have Photoshop on them, and the answer was “no”.)

Directors' Reports:

The Dalles. Jeff included his monthly report in the packet. Jeff reported that he attended the budget meeting this morning. He also reported that Maggie Pando attended the Evergreen Conference held in Hood River, and came back very impressed with what Evergreen has accomplished here. Our system is more standardized than most of the country. Megan and Amanda have the Summer Reading Program all planned out, and are ready to go.

Maupin: Valerie reported that she has been working on her Summer Reading Program, and has been working with Mary Beechler, since this is her first year. Fundraising for a new building continues; the Business function on May 3rd brought in \$35,000. They are now at 65% of goal.

Dufur: Sarah says that the library is now doing inventory. OBOB books have been ordered and labelled. Brent worked on their computers, he spent a full day there a couple weeks ago. The computers are now working faster and better than ever. The last day of school will be June 4th. Migrant Education will be at Dufur this year, from 6:00 am – 1:00 pm starting June 10th. Summer Reading Program will be June 18th – July 30th. Summer hours will begin on Tuesday, June 9th.

Old Business: nothing

Policy Review: There were some questions on the Wi-Fi policy (which was from 2008), including the sentence about not providing patrons help with connecting to Wi-Fi. Would it be possible to add an acceptance screen when logging in on the Wi-Fi, such as hotels and other places use? Where the Wi-Fi policy displays, and you have to click on “accept the terms” in order to continue. The policies that have been reviewed to date need to be updated with the revisions, and will be at the next board meeting for signatures.

Financial Review: Talked about the readability of the spreadsheets, was very well liked. Circulation statistics were impressive, especially the new book numbers.

Updates: Friends of the Library are sponsoring an Open House to introduce the new staff on Thursday, June 4th, from 4-6 p.m. There is new shelving for the sale books inside the library. They are also helping the Foundation by paying the rental fee for the May 29th dessert social, followed by a program by John Laursen on *Wild Beauty*, showcasing pictures of the Columbia Gorge. This is a free event, thanking everyone who has donated to the expansion project, though there will be a donation jar available.

Point of business: In June the Board will nominate new officers, for Chair and vice Chair.

The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, June 17th at 4:00 p.m. at The Dalles.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

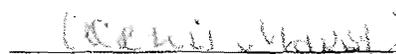
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