

Fern Ridge Library Board of Directors Meeting
Minutes 2/13/08 7:00 P.M.
Approved 3/12/08

Board Members: Chair, Earle Ellson, Steve Recca, Robert Hladky,
Juli Cornett and Pat Broome

Staff: Director, Colin Rea, Business Manager, Fred Welding,
Recording Secretary: Joyce Bilderback

OPENING

Call to Order

Chair, E. Ellson, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Review Agenda

E. Ellson asked that the SDAO Conference attendee reports be added to the agenda under Reports.

Minutes

The Board meeting minutes of January 9, 2008 were approved as printed.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Future Budget and Levy Discussion

Director, C. Rea, provided printed articles about library budgets and tax rates for Oregon public libraries, 2006-07. The Board discussed the tax levy amount needed for the Fern Ridge Library District in order to provide library services requested by the public. F. Welding and C. Rea will discuss figures for 2008-09 budget and will present these preliminary budget figures at the next board meeting. The Board will continue to discuss the levy amount at that time, based on the preliminary budget figures.

Inclement Weather Policy

In view of recent inclement weather, Director, C. Rea asked for input from the Board regarding some determinations he had made as a result of these weather conditions. The present policy was reviewed and a discussion followed.

- **Steve Recca moved that the Board confirm the present Inclement Weather Delays/Closures policy, despite the recommendations of the Director, with the deletion of "To post on valleyinfo.net website." Pat Broome seconded motion. Motion approved unanimously.**

Plaques in the Library

C. Rea prepared a written memo regarding Dedication Plaque Ideas, including a list of the plaques and other remembrances presently in the library and where they are displayed or located and his recommendations on the remaking of some of the plaques. A discussion followed regarding the addition of other plaques which could accommodate names of library donors, as well as other people who have contributed outstanding service to Fern Ridge Library. R. Hladky recommended an agenda item for the next Board meeting regarding policy about retaining or disposing of historical items.

REPORTS

Chair – E. Ellson

E. Ellson submitted a written report.

Director – C. Rea

C. Rea submitted a written Director's report. He highlighted the following: "Youth Services and Volunteer Administrator Christine Atkinson has informed staff that she has two very promising interviews for positions in Indiana. In anticipation of possible need, I have reviewed the job description for this position should we need to post it."

Financial – F. Welding

F. Welding submitted a written Financial Report. There were no questions

Foundations and Grants - E. Ellson

E. Ellson submitted a written report. The Foundation had its second meeting of the Renovation Campaign Committee. Committee members were listed. The next Campaign meeting is Thursday, February 21, 6:30 p.m. at the library.

Friends of the Library – E. Ellson

E. Ellson stated that Friends of the Library continues to provide its support role. The next meeting is Saturday, April 12.

Fern Ridge Progress Board – E. Ellson

The Fern Ridge Progress Board met on January 24. C. Rea attended, met several community leaders and represented the Library family.

Lane Library League – S. Recca

S. Recca submitted a written report. He stated in his report that State librarian Jim Schepke was introduced to give a presentation on PINES, an integrated library system that has been developed in Georgia. Georgia wants other libraries to participate. It would be difficult for Oregon to adopt PINES exactly as it is used in Georgia because our libraries have widely varying book acquisition budgets. The group discussed this.

SDAO Conference Reports

The SDAO Conference held in Bend Oregon on February 8-10 was attended by C. Rea, J. Cornett, R. Hladky and F. Welding. The attendees reported on the classes they had attended and what they gained from them. The Board members expressed their appreciation to F. Welding for making the reservations and arrangements.

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S. Recca stated that his children had placed first and second in skating competition.

F. Welding reminded the Board members that the election filing date deadline is March 11.

Chair, E. Ellson, adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Bilderback
Recording Secretary

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is Wednesday, March 12, 7:00 p.m.