

Fern Ridge Library Board of Directors Meeting  
**Draft Minutes 1/11/17**  
**Approved 2/8/17**

**Board Members:** Robert Hladky; Steve Recca; Steve Brock; Olivia Johnson,  
Ashley Westerlund

**Staff:** Director: Colin Rea; Business Manager: Jerri Moore;  
Recording Secretary: Joyce Bilderback

**Call to Order**

Chair, Robert Hladky, called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**Review Minutes**

The Board meeting minutes of 11/9/16 were approved as presented.

**Correspondence**

C. Rea distributed documents entitled: (1) "Notice of a Pending Class Action, County of Linn v. State of Oregon and the State Forestry Department, 16CV07708 and (2) a letter representing Association of Northwest Steelheaders, Oregon Council of Trout Unlimited, Northwest Guides and Anglers Association, Wildlife Salmon Center, Pacific Rivers, Native Fish Society and Oregon Chapter Sierra Club. The letter requested that Fern Ridge Library opt out of the Linn County lawsuit.

Mr. Rea suggested that the Board take these documents home to review them and be prepared to discuss them at the next Board meeting. The Board agreed.

**ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

**Levy Discussion**

Jerri Moore distributed documents entitled: (1) FERN RIDGE LIBRARY DISTRICT Budget Projections @ \$.30 Option Levy; (2) FERN RIDGE LIBRARY DISTRICT Budget Projections @ \$.35 Option Levy; (3) FERN RIDGE LIBRARY DISTRICT Budget Projections @ \$.35 Option Levy #2 Add Library Clerk at 15 hours per week

These estimated projections extended to 2022.

Ms. Moore informed the Board: (1) The current level of services offered at the levy amount of \$0.25 can be maintained through the fiscal year 2017-18; (2) Services that can be offered at the levy amount of \$.30; (3) Services that can be offered at the levy amount of \$.35.

The Board discussed this information.

- **Steve Recca moved to place a Fern Ridge Library District option levy measure in the amount of \$0.35 / \$1,000 assessed property value on the May 2017 Special Elections ballot. Ashley Westerlund seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board discussed ways to inform the library patrons regarding the levy. Mr. Rea stated that several parents had expressed interest in helping in any way they could. He will give a list of their names to Board Chair, R. Hladky. Mr. Hladky will contact these people. A phone tree was also suggested. S. Brock is willing to help with this. The FRL Foundation will also be informed.

Jerri Moore will bring measure verbiage examples to the next Board meeting.

## **REPORTS**

### **Chair Report – B. Hladky**

Mr. Hladky stated that he had been out of town during the month of December.

### **Director’s Report – C Rea**

C. Rea stated that December was a challenging month, due to a variety of circumstances—inclement weather resulting in a shortening of hours on a couple days, holiday schedule for staff, and a limited amount of subs. He also mentioned the closures on January 4th and 7th due to snow. Mr. Rea and staff endeavor to keep the library open as much as possible, even when the schools are closed due to bad weather.

Mr. Rea stated that a man from Sperry Tree Service will be here on February 16 to remove the “widow-maker” branch from the tree in front of the library.

The bulletin board in the entry way has been removed and two new bulletin boards will be installed on the wall near the restrooms. A suggestion was made to return pictures of the Board members to a location in the library.

The new outside trash receptacle needs to be anchored. The new picnic table needs to be assembled. Steve Recca will help with these projects.

### **Financial – J. Moore**

Ms. Moore distributed a written report.

### **Foundation & Grants – C. Rea**

Mr. Rea stated that a matching funds SDAO Safety Grant has been received. These funds are being used to purchase ergonomic desks for the staff, replacing the ancient desks that they have been using.

### **Grounds – R. Hladky**

Mr. Hladky stated that there will be a work party scheduled for late February or March.

### **LCOG – Steve Recca**

Mr. Recca stated that he attended an emergency meeting of the LCOG to discuss a possible exemption from the Public Contracting Rules in regard to the installation of the Middle Mile Fiber Optic System. That exemption was granted and the installation has been completed. Mr. Recca stated that this has greatly improved the internet speed.

## **FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER**

### **SDAO Conference – February 10-12, Portland OR**

Olivia Johnson, Steve Brock, Colin Rea, Steve Recca and Ashley Westerlund will attend. J. Moore will process registrations and reservations.

### **FRL Auditor’s Presentation**

The FRL Auditor’s presentation of the 2016 audit will be made at the March 2017 Board Meeting.

Chair Robert Hladky adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully,

Joyce Bilderback  
Recording Secretary

**The next regularly scheduled Board Meeting will be Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.**