

Present: David Short, Sharon Callen, Terry Huber, Dick Raymond, Rick Slaven, David White, Madeleine Hearn

Staff Present: Bill Baars, Cyndie Glazer, Bev Ross

Excused: Fred Baldwin

The Library Advisory Board meeting was called to order by Chair David Short at 7:00 p.m. on April 11, 2012.

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

**2. Introductions**

Chair David Short welcomed new Board members, Sharon Callen and Terry Huber. Introductions were made around the room.

**3. Approval of Minutes – February 15, 2012**

**Approval of Minutes – March 14, 2012**

**Rick Slaven made a motion, seconded by David White, to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2012 meeting and of the March 14, 2012 meeting. The motion carried.**

**4. Public Comment**

None

**5. Director's Report**

Library Director Bill Baars gave the Directors report as follows:

- The Lake Oswego Redevelopment Agency (LORA) met the previous night and is pursuing property at First and B for the North Anchor Project of which the Library could be a key component. This group followed this meeting with a City Council meeting. The Council discussed the priority of proposed capital projects.

The eight projects are :

1. LOCOM
2. City Hall
3. South Shore Fire Station
4. Tennis Center
5. Boones Ferry Road
6. Library
7. Maintenance Facility
8. West End Building

Councilors Mary Olson and Sally Moncrieff said public safety projects are first priorities. Funding strategies for all of the projects were also discussed. Councilor Gudman is a strong proponent of a new library and proposes using all of the LORA funds for it. Baars will let the LAB know when the Council will next have capital facilities on their agenda.

- The Library will be closed until 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 10, for an All Staff In-Service Day. The staff is looking forward to this first annual event which will include sessions on ergonomics, team building, stress relief, book reviews, reader's advisory, dealing with difficult situations, and the future of libraries.
- The Lake Oswego Review published an opinion piece that Baars submitted as a letter to the editor acknowledging the celebration of National Library Week.
- Mary's Woods Retirement Center invited Baars to visit their library and offer advice for improvement. LO Library staff will meet at the facility periodically to help as needed. Baars said it is important to reach out to community groups.

- Baars, along with Jane Blackstone, Economic Development Manager, will address the City Council at the April 30 meeting with an update on the Library/North Anchor Project. This meeting will be held at Mary's Woods.
- About 50 Lake Oswego High School students are scheduled to be at the Library on Friday, April 13, participating in their Community Work Day. They will help shift books, dust shelves, hang pictures, clean tables, clean desks and much more. This is an annual event and the Library is always very appreciative of this good work.
- Local author, Marylou Colver, has a newly published book, *Lake Oswego Vignettes: Illiterate Cows to College-Educated Cabbage*, which chronicles some of the people and events that helped shape Lake Oswego. Inside the front cover of the book, Colver gratefully acknowledges the help she received from the Library staff and resources.
- Baars reminded the LAB that the City Council meetings are recorded on DVD and are available to check out from the Library.
- The Farmer's Market opens on May 19 and the Library will have a booth one Saturday a month through August. Baars passed around a sign-up sheet for LAB members who are interested helping staff the booth.
- Rick Slaven clarified with Baars that the LORA Board unanimously agreed to move ahead with property acquisition for the North Anchor Project. The City Council has discussed, but has not yet voted, on capital project priorities. They continue to discuss when and which projects should be put on a ballot for voters. Slaven hopes that someone on the Council would propose to put a bond on the ballot for the Library.
- City Budget Committee meetings begin April 16 and Baars hopes the Library's budget will remain intact.

**6. Chair's Report**

None

**7. LO Reads**

Cyndie Glazer gave the report on LO Reads:

- With the urging of Mayor Hoffman, the Lake Oswego Reads event has been entered for the US Conference of Mayors City Livability Award. It was announced on April 27 that LO Reads is one of fifteen finalists for the Award to Cities under 100,000. Winning cities and their mayors will be honored on Thursday, June 14, in Orlando at the Annual Conference of Mayors. Baars said the Library is lucky to have the Mayor and City Council so supportive and involved with the LO Reads program.
- The Seventh Annual LO Reads Event is in the early planning stages. The Steering Committee is asking for suggestions for the 2013 book.

**8. New Business**

None

**8. Adjournment**

The Library Advisory Board meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Beverly Ross  
Recording Secretary