

Present: David Short, Dick Raymond, Rick Slaven, David White, Madeleine Hearn

Staff Present: Jane Carr, Bev Ross

Excused: Fred Baldwin, Shelby Campion

Others: Councilor Jeff Gudman

The Library Advisory Board meeting was called to order by Chair David Short at 7:00 p.m. on March 14, 2012.

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

**2. Introductions**

None

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

The minutes were not available for approval and will be submitted at the next meeting.

**4. Public Comment**

None

**5. Director's Report**

Library Manager Jane Carr gave the Director's report for Bill Baars. She relayed Baars apologies that he was unable to attend the meeting. He is attending the Public Library Association Conference in Philadelphia:

- Baars had a meeting Monday, March 7, with former Oregon State Librarian Jim Schepke, Kim Stafford, Oregon's Poet Laureate Paulann Peterson, Christine D'Arcy the Executive Director of the Oregon Arts Commission and the Oregon Cultural trust and others to discuss a statewide celebration to honor the centenary of William Stafford's birth. Among the plans are a statewide reads in 2014 (much like the program for Oregon's Sesquicentennial in 2009 and *Stubborn Twig*); among other ideas the Friends of William Stafford are proposing that the US Postal Service produce a commemorative stamp in the Poet's honor.
- Tuesday, March 8, the Lake Oswego Redevelopment Agency (LORA) Board discussed the North Anchor properties. With Jane Blackstone's assistance, they are moving forward in the pursuit of property for the North Anchor project.
- Monday, March 19, Baars will be speaking before the City Council at a special meeting at Mary's Woods briefing them regarding the Library and the proposed project.
- We've replaced our rental collection with our brand new Lucky Day Collection. This is a collection of high interest and high demand books and movies. Copies of these items will still be in the catalog where holds can be placed on them however a few copies will be in the Lucky Day collection where holds cannot be placed. A patron may find what they have been waiting for hence the name "lucky day". The plan is to expand this collection as it has already been very popular and items are flying off the shelves.
- Librarian Carissa Barrett is working on implementing a new digital asset management system called CONTENTdm. The software is provided by Online Computer Library Center (OCLC) and will help to centralize all of the library's local history materials such as photos, video, audio recordings and original documents. Items will be cataloged and searchable in a single online database when the project is completed. The database is web-based and will be accessible by anyone with access to the internet.

Once a significant number of items have been uploaded and properly cataloged, the URL will be publicized in the library's usual media channels.

- Library manager Jane Carr attended the estate sale held at the Carman-Wilmot House last weekend. Several very old photographs were found and may be added to the collection after local historians assess them. The Carman-Wilmot home (located at Carman and Wilmot) itself is of historical significance, and received an historical marker from the Oswego Heritage Council on October 4, 1970. This Pioneer family house was completed in 1860 and was the first in the area to have running water. Additionally, it was built by the first couple to marry in Oswego: Waters and Lucretia Carman. Waters Carman was a millwright for the Durham lumber mill on Sucker Creek.
- The Library recently published the complete set of *In Their Own Words* audio recordings on CD. They will soon be available for circulation. The Library is also continuing to record new oral history interviews and is in the process of adding new family history collections to the original documents collection. In addition, the DVD of Brian Doyle's speech at Lake Oswego High School is now available for checkout.
- Yesterday, March 13, the Library submitted grant requests to the Friends of the Library.

#### **6. Chair's Report**

Chair David Short gave the Chair's report as follows:

- Short, Councilor Donna Jordan and Councilor Mary Olson interviewed four candidates for LAB positions. Three will be appointed and one will serve as the alternate. The announcement of new members will be made soon with the approval of City Council.

#### **7. LO Reads**

Library Manager Jane Carr gave the report on LO Reads:

- LO Reads *Mink River* was a great success. Over 9,000 people attended the events. The month of February had 29 events in 29 days.
- Glazer prepared scrapbooks for each of the major sponsors. The scrapbooks have photos and copies of all of the brochures and press from the month long event.

#### **8. New Library Financing Plan**

Councilor Jeff Gudman presented his financing plan for a new library to the LAB.

- Gudman emphasized that this was his plan alone and has not been endorsed by the City Council, although he has shared this information with them.
- He said cannot look at funding for building a new library alone. All proposed projects need to be looked at collectively. These projects are:
  - West End Building
  - Library
  - City Hall/LOCOM
  - Tennis Center
  - Boones Ferry/Lake Grove
  - Maintenance Facility
  - South Shore Fire Station

Gudman said his proposal asks citizens for the least amount of additional money and hinges on the sale of the West End Building.

- The use of LORA funds does not need to go for a vote although Gudman thinks it should. He would like the vote to authorize the use LORA funds for a new library, City Hall and LOCOM.

- This plan for financing a new library includes LORA Funding, County grant money, sale of current property, Library reserve money, Library endowment fund, and a capital campaign.
- Gudman passed out copies of his proposal to each LAB member. A copy is attached.
- Rick Slaven commented that this plan would be too complex for a vote and should be broken apart. He suggested only voting on the use of LORA funds for a new library.

**9. New Business**

None

**10. Adjournment**

The Library Advisory Board meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Beverly Ross  
Recording Secretary