

Harrisburg Library Board Minutes for July 20, 2017

Date: July 20, 2017

Time: 6:30pm

Place: 354 Smith St. Harrisburg, OR

Board members present: Those attending: Jayne Detering, Sherry Singleterry, Joe Crenshaw, Jeff Winchester, Cheryl Spangler, Librarian

Members of the Library Guild attending were: LeaAnn Hart-Chambers, Marilyn Pollard and Barb Shipley

Called to order by Joe Crenshaw at 6:30pm

1. Minutes: Jeff Winchester motioned, Jayne Detering seconded. The minutes of May meeting were unanimously approved.

2. SUBJECT: Combining City Library and School Library

DISCUSSION: Discussing library share

The Harrisburg Library Guild introduced themselves and said they are here to discuss the idea of a library share with the school that the school Supt. Bryan Starr had brought up to Brian Latta, City Admin.

Barb Shipley explained that the Guild has been working on a new library/ community center. We have gone in different directions in working toward that goal. Guild and Council decided to work toward a new library rather than the Upmeyer House and that the City Council is very supportive.

Joe asked if we were to build a new place on school property who is in control? How will it be staffed.

Barb: met with funders 8 years ago. The Guild is now ready to talk seriously with funders, but now they do not have property. Talked with Council about where would be a good place to build. City is thinking about how to use the building usefully.

Joe said that the question was put out on social media and the idea was a strong negative vibe. What about pedophiles, miscreants in the library during school hours. How do we work towards keeping kids' safe during the hours of school?

Other concerns that were brought up were: What would be done with the work already started by the guild? Can city and school money be combined? How would the LLC be integrated, and what if we decided to be a county library? Where will the library be and how will it be funded? Will the city pay the most of it or a percentage?

It was brought up that the Superintendent has been discussing a bond measure.

Barb Shipley said she would like to explore other towns that have done this. Spangler said she would send info to all interested on other places and how they have done it.

One question brought up was, what is the school board thinking? We should all go to school board meeting and discuss it with them.

Joe asked who would like to reach out to school board? Barb said communication is important and we should stick with it.

Barb will get the email addresses and contact them to get hold of school. Lot of questions, and lets just see what plans are.

ACTION: Discuss in next meeting.

3. SUBJECT: Library Policy

DISCUSSION: Due to the time of the aforementioned discussion, the decision on policy 2.20.110 Detention of, or damage to library materials was postponed.

OTHERS:

Discussion on a policy for kids causing a disturbance like the one happening earlier in the month will be discussed at the next meeting.

Nothing further was discussed

With no further others to discuss, the Library Board adjourned at the hour of 7:45pm.