

## Lake Stevens Library Board Meeting Minutes

April 27, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Chair Shaelynn Charvet Bates at 4:32 p.m with introductions around the table.

In attendance: **Board:** Penny Dorsey, Paul Ryan, Kevin Stone, Shaelynn Charvet Bates, Andy Powers, Debby Ames. **Sno-Isle:** Jonalyn Woolf-Ivory, Chy Ross, Sonia Gustafson, Martin Munguia (Board of Trustees), Jim Hills (Public Information Manager) **City:**Todd Welch (City Council Liaison), Friends: Melissa Knaak, Mary Dickinson.

Absent: Board members Abe Martinez and Janice Stepp.

The January 19, 2017 meeting minutes were approved as submitted, with Paul Ryan making the motion for approval and a second by Penny Dorsey.

### **Reports:**

**Managing Librarian-** Sonia talked about some items on the written report she brought to share.. The Issues that Matter presentations had three more successful events with good attendance at Lake Stevens, Arlington, and Mountlake Terrace. The library has obtained some funding for Adult Writing programs and this summer there will be some Family Storytime sessions. Sonia appreciated the opportunity to attend the Public Library Association's annual Leadership Academy in Portland, Oregon.

**Sno-Isle-**Chy said that only thirty two librarians are selected to attend the PLA Leadership Academy. Sonia was recognized for all her efforts on behalf of Sno-Isle and the Lake Stevens library.

Jonalyn discussed possible future dates for the next ballot measure for a new library in Lake Stevens. A discussion followed regarding the pros/cons of each time period. A Fire District measure is planned for the November ballot and a possible school district replacement levy on a February ballot. A February or March vote would need less votes to validate. Jonalyn planned to talk with a school district representative and keep us informed. Jonalyn said the Board of Trustees will discuss this, and she said that a typical next step would be for the Library Board to submit a written request for a ballot measure to both the Board of Trustees and the City Council. She also suggested talking about the bond measure in an informational way with community members.

**City:** Todd Welch said the city is still in support of a new library to be located on the Chapel Hill property. The city will have increased access to the park when the library vacates the current

building. The city has a lot of activity happening downtown and there have been several personnel changes at City Hall.

**Friends-** Melissa Knaak said the Friends are opening bank CD's in order to have their money grow while waiting for new library projects to fund. Friends will be seated at the library table for the upcoming Lake Stevens Expo. A revamped Aquafest Book Sale volunteer document will be ready soon.

The Friends have an opening for the Secretary position.

**New Business-**The city received four applications for the vacant Library Board position. Two candidates were interviewed and Ann Hilton-Adams was selected. She is new to the area and lives in the northern part of the city which was an area not heavily targeted during the February ballot campaign. Ann will be appointed at the next City Council meeting.

Facilities sub committee: Andy Powers and Penny Dorsey volunteered to serve. They will do a walk through of the library interior and exterior with Sonia to compile a list of items needing attention. Todd Welch will check on the status of the new door that was an approved city budget item for 2017.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:21 p.m. with the next meeting date not finalized.

Submitted by:



Debra Ames

Secretary