

## Library Expansion Task Force Minutes April 15, 2015, 6:00 PM

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Meeting called by: Melissa Perkins, Library Expansion Task Force Vice Chair

**Task Force members present:** Ryan Healy, Tom Hogan, Paul Klein, Melissa Perkins, Karin Power, Kathi Schroeder, Jon Stoll, Ed Zumwalt, Bill Monahan, Katie Newell.

Absent: Nancy Avery, Scott Barbur, Greg Chaimov, Nancy Wittig.

Guests: Library Board members Krista Downs, Erin Lee, Karol Miller, Jason

Price.

**Call to order:** Melissa called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

**Approval of minutes:** Minutes from the March 18<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved.

## **Old Business**

1. Bond measures

Katie handed out a compilation of library-related bond measures in the state of Oregon for the past four years. Of the seven measures that were for capital projects, four were defeated, three passed.

## **New Business**

1. Council Goals Update

Councilor Karin Power gave a brief summary of the Council Goal-setting meeting on April 7<sup>th</sup>. The Library Expansion was one of the top three goals. At the May 5<sup>th</sup> Council meeting, staff will provide updates on the top six goals; Council will vote on them at their May 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. Bill added that the Library will be going before Council at the July Study Session to update them on where we are and our path forward.

2. Brainstorming

Melissa opened the discussion by reading the goals and visions from the needs assessment completed nearly two years ago by FFA: Be the family room for the community; serve as a destination, the community's "third place"; create a 21<sup>st</sup> century library with a home-town feel; realize the

potential of what our public library can be; enhance the library's connection to the natural resource.

The following discussion ran the full gamut from a 35,000 sq ft expansion  $\rightarrow$  no expansion  $\rightarrow$  moving library services to another site  $\rightarrow$  double size of current library. We decided to look at a 22,000-25,000 sq ft expansion with two satellite sites and to change the name of the task force to the Library **Services** Expansion Task Force to emphasize we are looking to expand the services we offer, not just the building.

Areas we need to research/work on:

- a) Polling
- b) Pond House
- c) Satellite sites, size, function
- d) Costs
- e) Focus Groups
- f) Community Champions

## **Public input**

There was no public comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

**Next meeting: 6:00 pm, Wednesday, May 20, 2015.** Reminder that Troy Ainsworth of FFA will be at this meeting.

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