

Meeting called by: Library Board Chair Mark Docken

Board Members: Mark Docken, Laura Gamble, Kathy Gannett, Melissa Perkins, Ron Rasch, Kay Sweetland Bower.

Board Members Absent: Ed Zumwalt

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER – Library Board Chair Mark Docken called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

BOARD RESIGNATION

Mark announced Colleen Schacht's resignation from the Board. A card was circulated for signatures. Kay will deliver the card to Colleen.

PROJECT UPDATES AND PROGRESS REPORTS

1. **Milwaukie Poetry Series update** – Mark shared that the last speaker for the series 5th season, Noel Hanlon on June 13, 2012, had a good turnout. Rose Villa provided a bus with about eight people attending. The crowd was mixed ages. The next season is promising.
2. **1. Authors' Quarterly** – General Board discussion began with the need to improve the series to achieve similar success of the Poetry Series. Mark suggested that the Board create a "recipe" for the process so that the series is consistent and successful and would not depend on one person in charge. Kay shared that the Poetry Series provides posters, taped programming for TV, author's option of selling their books, and that the library will often purchase the author's book as well. Poetry honorariums are \$100. Katie will see who of the library staff is available to be part of the Author Series committee. It was suggested that the series have a new name. Melissa, Ron, and Kathy from the library board have volunteered to be on the Author's committee along with any Ledding Library personnel that Katie approves. That committee will be tasked with deciding on the specifics going forward for the Author's series with final approval of their decisions by Katie and the board.

NEW BUSINESS

Ron suggested that the existing information dispenser box just outside the Pond House by the bench would be a good place to advertise upcoming events each month. He also requested that the library book drop be improved to assist patrons returning books.

TASK FORCE – Mark gave an update on the task force for a new library and that he resigned from the committee. There seems to be no sense of urgency and there was no report on the committee's activities. The next meeting is scheduled for August. It most likely will not be placed on the November ballot.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Monday, July 23, 2012 at 6:30pm at the Ledding Library Pond House