

**SHASTA PUBLIC LIBRARY
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Redding Library Community Room, 1100 Parkview Avenue, Redding, California
March 5, 2008**

MINUTES

1. Roll Call

The regular meeting of the Library Advisory Committee was called to order by Peggy O’Lea at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 5, 2008, with the following Committee Members present: Elaine Grossman, Connie Cleckler, Missy McArthur, and Patte Jelavich. Also present was Interim Library Director Linda Mielke, City of Redding Community Services Director Kim Niemer, LSSI Vice President of West Coast Operations Mark Smith, and LSSI President of Public Library Management Operations Ron Dubberly.

2. Public Comment

None.

3. Election of Officers

Committee Chair O’Lea opened the nominations for Chair. Missy McArthur nominated Peggy O’Lea and Connie Cleckler seconded. The vote was unanimous. Chair O’Lea then opened the nominations for Vice-Chair. Elaine Grossman nominated Connie Cleckler and Missy McArthur seconded. The vote was unanimous.

4. Consent Calendar

With the exception of correcting the misspellings of Committee Member Cleckler’s name, approval of the consent calendar was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously.

5. Report by Shasta County on State Library Bond Construction Grant

Due to a family emergency on the part of Shasta County Administrative Assistant Julie Hope, this item was deferred to the April 2008 meeting.

6. Teen Services Report

Interim Library Director Mielke introduced Children’s and Teen Services Program Director Diane Gustafson. Ms. Gustafson gave an overview of the Teen Services Program highlighting some new activities such as “Dance Dance Revolution” and “Guitar Hero 3” (see meeting handouts).

7. Strategic Planning Update

LSSI President of Public Library Management Operations Ron Dubberly reported that a community focus group would be appointed within the next few weeks and that a schedule would be set for the group to meet for two intensive sessions and then for a brief session to present the plan. Mr. Dubberly noted that countywide community needs would be the focus of the group and then it would be determined how the library might best help to meet those needs.

8. Director's Comments

Interim Director Mielke indicated that she would email the library statistics to the Committee, as they were not included with her written report.

Committee Member Jelavich asked how our community compared to other communities regarding the Big Read event. LSSI Vice President of West Coast Operations Mark Smith responded that he is not sure whether those numbers are available from other communities.

Community Services Director Niemer asked the Committee if anyone would be interested in a California Association of Library Trustees and Commissioners (CALTAC) membership. Ms. Niemer noted that the City would pay the membership fee of \$25. It was suggested that the Chair and Vice-Chair be enrolled.

Kim Niemer reported that the annual library review with the participating agencies was held today. She noted that a discussion was held concerning the library branches' budget deficit and it was suggested that unrestricted library donations be utilized to resolve the problem, which would cover the difference for the next two years. The consensus of the Committee was to bring this solution to the Library Board of Trustees for approval. It was also suggested that the annual State of the Library Report be posted on the website.

Mark Smith reminded the Committee that two more Library Director candidates would be interviewed tomorrow.

9. Committee Comments

There was some discussion regarding changing the meetings to bi-monthly meetings and it was decided that the meetings would remain on a monthly schedule and be cancelled if there is a lack of agenda items.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Peggy O'Lea, Chairperson