

MINUTES

LONGMONT LIBRARY BOARD

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409 FOURTH AVENUE

THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2007

7:00 P.M.

Call to Order

The April 19, 2007 meeting of the Longmont Library Board was called to order by Board Chair Viki McKinney at 7:08 p.m.

1. Roll call

Those present were board members Dede Alspaugh, Jerry Forreider, Chairperson, Viki McKinney, Heidi Olinger and Brian Pixley. Also present were Library Director Tony Brewer, Library Liaison Linda Murchison and guest, State Senator Brandon Shaffer. City Councilman Fred Wilson was absent.

2. Approval of Minutes

Jerry Forreider moved that the February minutes be approved. Dede Alspaugh seconded the motion and the minutes stand as written.

3. Business

Brian Pixley was welcomed as a new board member.

It was moved by Board Member Olinger and seconded by Board Member Pixley that \$2,635.60 FROM THE EMPSON FUND BE USED TO PURCHASE THE 2007 MCGRAW HILL ENCYCLOPEDIA OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, 10TH EDITION; ISBN 0-07-144143-3.

The motion passed.

The board discussed the survey from the city about open houses for interested citizens to learn about board and committee activities. Jerry Forreider suggested that what the city did in the past worked well: The city had a forum of all the boards at one time. Each board had a couple of minutes to describe what that group did.

Citizens could then visit with board members to ask questions and get more information.

Senator Brandon Shaffer talked to the board about issues and funding in the legislature. He recommended that if we have library issues to bring to him we should invite him to a fall meeting so that bills can be written in a timely manner.

4. Report from Friends of the Library

Copies of the Friends of the Library minutes were given to board members.

5 Library Director's Report

Longmont Public Library Director, Tony Brewer showed the board some statistics about library usage from the Library Research Service. The board's opinion is that the information can be used informatively to show what a great service is provided to our community. The board will discuss more about how to do that at a future meeting.

Director Tony Brewer reported on the procedures used during the meeting of El Comite with CIRC. He passed out clippings of news articles that appeared about the meeting room discussions. The meeting room policies will be rewritten and posted near the board minutes.

Director Brewer also gave the board an update on the SirsiDynix automated system at the library.

Director Brewer indicated that a proposed branch library at the Quail Campus site is not a good idea because of the proximity to the main library. The suggestion came from some citizen 'brainstorming' sessions held in Longmont.

The next board meeting will be May 17, 2007. Janine Reed from Weld Library District will discuss their new policy.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

Viki D. McKinney
Liantha Alspaugh