



**City of Newport
Library Advisory Committee
November 17, 2015**

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Bailey called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Board Members present – Jo Bailey; Nancy Wetsel;

Board Members absent –Beverly Bartl; Pam Geraghty;

Also present –Jamie Smith, Library and Community Center Coordinator

3. SECRETARY’S REPORT

A. Minutes of the September 30, 2015 Regular Meeting

No action was taken on the minutes since there was not a quorum.

4. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

5. NEW BUSINESS

President Bailey - Bob Vogel is coming to the Library on December 29th at 7:00 p.m. He always does a good job. We'll have coffee or cookies. The second thing I have is that I've been on the stakeholder's meeting for Washington County Libraries to investigate the future of libraries. We had our last meeting yesterday and I'm happy to say that libraries are alive and well. I just wanted to pass on the conclusions. Today they went to the County Board to present things and will be getting a final report out.

6. LIBRARIAN’S REPORT

Jamie Smith - We had a new author come out on October 10th and do a talk. His name is Ric Wells. We had one person come out. He did one non-fiction book and one fiction book that will be a series. That's called "The Feather" and that's what he did the talk on. He's been going all over. We also had a pumpkin craft on October 22nd. We had 16 participants. They used paint markers to decorate them. We also had PAWS to Read on November 5th and had 4 participants for that. They recently got a dog to train as a therapy dog and wanted to talk with her about therapy dogs. Coming up on November 24th, we'll have a turkey craft for Thanksgiving. On December 17th, we'll have a craft to make trees out of pinecones. I think we'll do another movie night in January with "How to Train Your Dragon 2." We had shown the first one in September.

Nancy Wetsel - Where do you advertise?

Jamie Smith - Locally. I email one to the school and Hope Christian Academy. Renee puts flyers up as well. This year, I'll be decorating the library for the holidays.

President Bailey - Let me know if you need extra branches, I can get some. Find out what you have to put outside.

Nancy Wetsel - It'd be nice to have it festive for Bob's presentation.

President Bailey - Someone asked me if you're still collecting cookbooks and National Geographic's.

Jamie Smith - Our shelves are pretty full. I don't refuse donations but we'd prefer items that are five years or newer. We have a ton of cookbooks but if we get newer ones I can weed through what we have.

President Bailey - Has the County Library come through with donations?

Jamie Smith - They give us popular titles. They just gave us a donation a couple weeks ago. They're great books. Renee will sometimes put something in there about new titles.

Nancy Wetsel - Are there any details we need to work out for Bob's presentation?

President Bailey - I think it'd be nice to have 20 or 30 people. We usually get 12. We could send out an invitation. I think Pam has a connection with Super Mom's and we could see if we could get cookies.

Nancy Wetsel - I assume we advertise in the paper.

President Bailey - Yes, Renee does that.

Nancy Wetsel - Do the area churches advertise?

President Bailey - Sure, there's a board at Newport Center.

Jamie Smith - Renee puts out flyers throughout town if she has time. She does the Post Office, Drug Store, etc. I send them to the two schools. I make the flyers for Renee to print.

President Bailey - We have an HPC meeting tomorrow and I'll ask him to give you a call. Renee will send out an email on meeting dates for 2016.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The Library Advisory Committee adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Signed: _____
Jo Bailey, President

Respectfully submitted,

Renee Eisenbeisz