

## Lake Stevens Library Board

### Special Meeting

June 7, 2017 4:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Shaelynn Charvet Bates at 4:30 p.m. with introductions around the table and a welcome to the newest Board member Ann Hilton-Adams.

In attendance: **Board**: Debby Ames, Ann Hilton-Adams, Kevin Stone, Paul Ryan, Penny Dorsey, Janice Stepp, Shaelynn Charvet Bates, Abe Martinez. **Sno-Isle**: Jonalyn Woolf-Ivory, Sonia Gustafson, and Chy Ross. **Friends**: Melissa Knaak.

Absent: Board member Andy Powers.

#### **Reports:**

**Sno-Isle**: Jonalyn Woolf-Ivory, Sno-Isle Library Director has been in communication with Lake Stevens School District Superintendent Amy Beth Cook. Jonalyn told us that based on her conversations and e-mail communications with Superintendent Cook she recommends a February 2018 bond election to build a new Lake Stevens library. Sno-Isle and the school district plan a compatible joint quality of life issues message to the voting community. Informational mailings are planned with the school district with a joint message of support for a bond to build a new library and support for the school district replacement levy.

Jonalyn suggested that the Board send a letter to the city and the Sno-Isle Board of Trustees stating that the Library Board supports a 2018 bond measure. The Board of Trustees will most likely make a formal decision regarding the bond in November 2017.

Melissa Knaak stated that the Friends of the Library group supports a February 2018 bond.

Shaelynn asked Jonalyn if the data from the February 2017 bond measure showed any areas where voters did not support the bond. Jonalyn replied that the data showed no obvious areas of nonsupport by voters. There was discussion regarding the south Everett Mariner library opening without bond measure funds and the ensuing confusion by some Lake Stevens voters about that.

There is an ongoing feasibility study of the site to determine work that may need to be done on the site to prepare for construction.

Paul Ryan made a motion for the Board to show support for a February 2018 bond measure to build a new Lake Stevens library. Penny Dorsey seconded the motion. All present approved, therefore Board Chair Shaelynn will draft a letter to the city and Sno-Isle Board of Trustees stating the Board support.

Jonalyn also told the group that the last levy lid lift for Sno-Isle was approved by voters in 2009. Reserve funds are not being allocated to fund library expenses and projects. Sno-Isle is considering a levy lid lift ballot measure sometime in 2018 to maintain the current service level in the district.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Next meeting Thursday July 20, 2017.

Respectfully submitted:

Debby Ames, Secretary