

Newport Public Library Advisory Board Minutes
November 14, 2018

1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 5:15. In attendance were Autumn Belloni, Gretchen Havner, Evonne Mochon Collura, Ellen Franklin, Sharon Beardsley, Ted Smith and Councilman Dietmar Goebel.

New Advisory Board member Ellen Franklin, took a few minutes to share her background with the Board and the Board reciprocated.

2. The Minutes from the September 12, 2018 Advisory Board meeting were approved. Evonne Mochon Collura made the motion to approve and Sharon Beardsley was the second. The motion passed unanimously.
3. The Director's last report was shared. There was discussion about the reports from the Outreach, Youth Services and Adult Services departments. Both Councilman Goebel and Ellen Franklin were interested and happy to learn of some of the library's lesser known services.
4. There was discussion about the monthly statistics. Director Smith shared that in library internet use is dropping slightly while use of the library's wi-fi is growing each month. This trend is not likely to turn around as more and more people choose to use handheld devices for their day-to-day information needs.

Ellen Franklin asked about the possibility of the library partnering with the Oregon Coast Aquarium to "check out" aquarium passes to visitors and area residents who may not be able to afford to pay the entrance fees at the Aquarium. Franklin stated that she often visits museums and other cultural centers in Arizona with library-provided passes. The Board asked Franklin to find out more about the program and bring the information to the next meeting of the Board in January.

5. There was no public comment
6. The meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Minutes Submitted by
Ted Smith, Library Director