Newport Public Library Advisory Board Wednesday, May 9, 2018 Minutes

Call to Order at 5:17 p.m.

Present: Evonne Mochon Collura, Autumn Belloni, Sharon Beardsley, Gretchen Havner, Dietmar Goebel (Newport City Counselor liaison), Ted Smith, Rebecca Cohen Rozewski (recording secretary) Not present: Samantha Schafer

- 1. Minutes from March 14, 2018
 - a. Sharon moved to approve as written, 2nd by Evonne, unanimous approval.
- 2. Director's Report
 - a. Ted reiterated how valuable he thinks that participating in local service organizations is.
- 3. Policy Changes
 - a. No Loitering
 - i. See attached section 5.10 of the Newport Public Library Policy Manual
 - 1. Dietmar suggested that the policy be changed from *Smoking ijn the library or on library property to *Smoking in the library or on library grounds
 - ii. New addition, "Loitering on the outdoor stairwell, north of the Library"
 - iii. "Patrons caught sleeping will be given two warnings and will be asked to leave the library if they need to be awakened a third time"
 - b. Autumn moved to accept policy changes and additions, 2nd by Sharon, unanimous approval.
- 4. Discussion of Hoopla's increasing costs
 - a. Ted informed Board about the increasing cost of the Library's Hoopla database. The costs are increasing rapidly as patrons discover the service and want to use it more. He wanted the Board to be informed about this service in light of new management coming on board next year and, perhaps, having to cut the service due to cost. Board asked if it were possible to get demographic information about the users. Ted will look into that.
 - b. Autumn expressed an interest in assessing the service's value to the community and, possibly, the Foundation picking up some of the costs.
 - c. Evonne asked if there could be a survey of our Hoopla users. Ted will look into this but thinks that there may be a confidentiality issue with that.

Adjournment at 5:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Rebecca Cohen Rozewski