

# PACIFIC GROVE LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday, May 9, 2006  
Pacific Grove Community Center

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Mike Ottmar called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

ATTENDANCE: Ottmar, Headley, Mason, Pastore

1. **Adoption of May 9, 2006 Agenda:** agenda not formally adopted as only one formerly seated member present.
2. **Adoption of April 11, 2006 Minutes:** these minutes not approved as Ottmar is only formerly seated member.
  - a. Chair Ottmar called for introductions of and comments from the new board members: Lynn Mason and Laura Headley.
3. **Public Comments:** None
4. **Board Member Comments:** Both Mason and Headley stated their commitment to the community and the importance of the library to each of them and as a community resource.
5. **Reports:**
  - a. **Presentation by Madeleine Clarke, co-chair of the Bring Back the Carnegie Committee, regarding an alternative plan for restoring the Carnegie.** Clark stated she and the committee are exploring the possibility of restoring the exterior of the library to more closely resemble the original Carnegie in time for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the building in 2008. She indicated they believe an expanded children's room could be added within the footprint of the current building and that these tasks could be achieved with the money already raised, possible financial help from local corporations such as Granite, possible grant from the Carnegie Foundation, and possibly with some additional fundraising. Discussion about the proposal took place, and Ottmar summarized for the Board by stating that the original project was to achieve a community room for the Library, which would enable expanded programming for both adults and children. He also stated that given the parameters of the original project, i.e., that a Community Room with outside access be added, that the library not be closed during renovations, and that Grand Avenue was approved to be closed by the last Council, that a collaborative effort between the original group and the Bring Back the Carnegie Committee to explore achieving the latter's goals with architects would be a logical next step and feasibility would be quickly determined within a timely fashion.
  - b. **Friends of the Library.** No report.
  - c. **Acting Library Director Pastore.** Still waiting for the estimate from the termite company, but the treatment will take place in early August after the summer reading program ends and before the school year begins.

6. **Old Business:**
  - a. Library Budget FY 06/07. Pastore reported that Council received the preliminary department budgets on May 3 and did ask for a breakdown to compare costs between restoring just the Sunday hours versus just the Wednesday and Thursday evening hours. She and staff have calculated that cost to restore either Sunday or the evening hours would be the same.
7. **New Business:**
  - a. Agenda items for July 11, 2006 meeting (Board):
    - FY06/07 budget update
    - Community Room project

ADJOURNMENT at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Pastore  
Acting Library Director

**Next Regular Board Meeting:  
Tuesday, July 11, 2006, 7:00 p.m.  
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515 Junipero Ave.**