

**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**Mid-Columbia Libraries**  
**Keewaydin Park Library Meeting Room**

**February 12, 2010**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The February 12, 2010, Board of Trustees special meeting was called to order at 9:15 AM by Chair Gloria Garcia. In attendance were Board members Susan Paysse, Sandra LePage, Jerry Hug, and Randal Fox. Tom Callahan was excused.

Also attending were staff members Danielle Krol, Kyle Cox, and Erin Meneely.

The visitors in attendance were: Diehl Rettig, MCL General Counsel; Gary Crutchfield, City Manager, City of Pasco; John Trumbo, Tri-City Herald.

**VISITORS**

Mr. Crutchfield offered to answer questions from the MCL Board of Trustees on the proposed "Extension Agreement to Library Services Contract Pasco," in order to continue negotiating a contract with the Mid-Columbia Libraries.

Mr. Trumbo and Mr. Crutchfield questioned the specific topics to be discussed in executive session. Mr. Rettig addressed the concerns of the visitors.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Seeing no objections, the agenda was unanimously approved.

**ACTION ITEMS**

- Extension Agreement to Library Services Contract Pasco

Mr. Rettig provided his legal opinion on the terms of the extension agreement proposed by the City of Pasco on February 5, 2010. Mr. Rettig indicated the fee for library services must be set at the levy rate, as used by MCL throughout the library district. Mr. Rettig indicated a signed long term agreement for library services would trump any extension agreement, if one were in place. Following a discussion on the timeline for notification of contract termination, Mr. Crutchfield indicated the City of Pasco would be willing to provide written notice of intent to terminate the agreement by June 30, 2010.

Following debate and amendment, the following motion moved by Mr. Fox and seconded by Mr. Hug was unanimously approved: "I move the Board authorize the Executive Director to sign the 'Extension Agreement' as proposed by the City of Pasco amending the fee to be set using the standard formula with the levy rate for 2011, and requiring a one-year written notice of intent to terminate the agreement from the City of Pasco."

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – (RCW 42.30.110) – Contract Negotiations with Cities**

An Executive Session was called by Ms. Garcia at 9:47 AM until 10:15 AM per RCW 42.30.110 to discuss contract negotiations with cities.

The Board reconvened the meeting at 10:15 AM to extend the Executive Session to 10:30 AM. The Board moved out of Executive Session at 10:26 AM.

**ACTION ITEMS**

- Library Services Agreement Pasco – MCL Response

Ms. Garcia entertained a motion related to this issue. Mr. Fox moved the Board authorize the Executive Director to send a letter to Gary Crutchfield, City Manager, City of Pasco, accompanied by the Board’s response to the City of Pasco’s proposed “Library Services Agreement” dated February 12, 2010, and Ms. Paysse seconded the motion. Approval of the motion was unanimous.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING** – Tuesday, February 16, 2010, at the Keewaydin Park branch at 6:00 PM.

**ADJOURNMENT** – Ms. Garcia moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:27 AM. Seeing no objections, the motion carried unanimously.

Erin Meneely, recording secretary for the Board of Trustees

**Attest:** \_\_\_\_\_