

Special Meeting of the Board of Library Trustees
Thursday, May 29, 2003 - Library Board Room
09:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Minutes of Actions and Decisions of the Board of Library Trustees of the Bellingham Public Library as Authorized by RCW 27.12.210 and SEC. 7.02 Charter of the City of Bellingham.

Board Members Present: Alan Kemble, H.A. Barney Goltz, Judith Wiseman, Tim Douglas

Board Members Absent: Karen Durham

Library Staff: Julie Carterson; Jane Lowrey; Scott Blume; Gladys Fullford

Others: Carl Oekerman, Velma Wendt

Discussion Public Forums: Carl Oekerman led a discussion about the three public forums. He suggested a mechanism by which people can be informed, up-dated and engaged. A contact person should be available. Cottage, neighborhood or regional meetings were also suggested. Julie mentioned asking the WWU Marketing Department to be involved in our surveys. It's not too early to talk about involving a PR person.

The next step would be based on whether the Library joined the Feasibility Study. A Co-Chairperson may be decided by June 2nd, and a PR person approached during the week of June 9th. The Site Analysis Committee will meet June 3rd.

The Board had initially decided not to participate in a fundraising feasibility study, members subsequently decided to reopen the discussion. Alan arranged a meeting with a consultant from the Alford Group on Tuesday, June 3, 2003. The Board called a special meeting for June 6, 2003 at 3:30 p.m. to discuss a study.

Discussion of Feasibility Study: It was decided that Alan Kemble would meet with the group doing the Feasibility Study. Another meeting will be announced in conformance with the public policy notification requirements to decide whether to join the Study.

Executive Session: Property Acquisition Discussion

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Chair, Library Board of Trustees

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Secretary, Library Board of Trustees