

MINUTES-Draft  
DIXON PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT  
NEW LIBRARY BUILDING COMMITTEE  
6:30 P.M., WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2010

MEETING LOCATION  
DIXON SENIOR / MULTI-USE CENTER  
201 S. FIFTH ST., DIXON, CA 95620

1. Call to order / Jim Ernst, President

*Jim Ernst, President called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.*

2. Roll call

Trustees

Jim Ernst, President  
John Gabby- excused  
Herb Cross, Secretary  
Gildardo Piñon-absent  
Irina Okremtchouk-absent

Commission

Greta Galindo, President  
Susan Ostergard, Vice-President  
Shane Taber, Secretary-excused  
Marjorie Rothrock-excused  
Olivia Stringer

City of Dixon

Jack Batchelor, Mayor -excused  
Nancy Huston, City Manager -excused

Staff

Gregg Atkins, District Librarian-excused  
Sandy Myers, Recorder

3. Communications

*None*

4. Approval of agenda

*Herb Cross moved, Shane Taber seconded and the motion carried.*

5. Public presentations to or discussion with the Committee

*Ginger Emerson read a letter voicing her concerns regarding the new library.*

6. CLOSED SESSION

**Consultation on pending litigation 54956.9("Brown Act") Conference with legal counsel (Addison Covert) and financial advisor (Jonathan Edwards)**

*Jim Ernst, President convened to closed session at 6:40 p.m.*

7. Announcements fro Closed Session

*The meeting returned to open session at 7:00 p.m. There were no announcements from closed session.*

8. Approval of minutes

A. Regular meeting of September 30, 2010

*Herb Cross moved, Susan Ostergard seconded and the motion carried.*

## 9. Discussion items

### A. Presentation of results of bond measure feasibility survey conducted August 25, 2010 / Brian Godbe and Amelia Davidson, Godbe Research

*Mr. Godbe reviewed the process for conducting the survey. Interviews were conducted in late August in both Spanish and English. Three hundred potential mail ballot voters were contacted and asked a series of questions. Statistics were then gathered, analyzed and presented in the Bond Measure Feasibility Survey. Ms. Davidson walked through a power point presentation showing how the data was formulated and calculated. The survey will be posted to the Dixon Public Library website. The overall outcome of the survey indicates that at this time the support fell well below the 2/3 requirement. Ms. Davidson did note that the short fall was not due to lack of support for a new library, but to the state of the current economy.*

*It is the recommendation of Godbe Research that the Dixon Public Library post pone an initiative for a bond measure until the presidential election of 2012. It is also the recommendation of Godbe Research that the Dixon Public Library District continue to educate the community on why it is important to move forward with building a new library for the community of Dixon. It is believed that with education, outreach and an upturn in the economy the Library will have success with a 2012 bond initiative. It is crucial that the public be informed that the library does not intend to tear down the Carnegie as is the misconception of many of the voters.*

### B. Status report on CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) study / Laura Lafler, LSA

*Ms. Lafler reported on the process of the CEQA to date. A period existed where the public had the opportunity to submit in writing any concerns that might be of impact. Once the submission of concerns process was completed all the information was given to Ms. Lafler to be reflected in the report. An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) process includes looking at specific areas that could potentially have a great impact on the current surrounding neighborhoods. Some of the areas looked at are traffic, parking, compatibility, lighting, noise, geology, and hydrology just to name a few. There are strict guidelines to use when these issues are being evaluated. The completion of the report is waiting on two things: the aesthetics and the cultural resources. Both of these will be answered with the unveiling of a conceptual design. Once the report is complete, a draft will be reviewed by Mr. Atkins. A public review process and public hearing follow prior to adoption of the report by the Governing Board.*

*If time elapses from the completion and adoption of the report until the building of the library, updates can be done. There would be no need for a new report to be conducted unless many years pass in between.*

### C. Update on community information and outreach efforts / Gladys Cornell, AIM

*Ms. Cornell reviewed that last stakeholders meeting on September 21<sup>st</sup>. AIM will now move forward by continuing to produce an electronic newsletter, creating a power point presentation and taking it to community groups like Rotary, Soroptomist International, Women's Improvement Center, Kiwanis's, Lions, PTO and many more. It will be a continued effort to provide the community with information regarding the need for a new library for the community.*

### D. Nomination of Carnegie Library Building to National Register of Historic Places – Update / Gregg Atkins

*On November 5, 2010 the Dixon Carnegie was on the consent calendar to be nominated to the National Register of Historic Places. It was nominated to go forward to the Department of Interior. They have 45 days in which to act so that it moves forward to the Federal level as an addition to the Registry of Historic Places.*

### E. Status report on Stage I Conceptual Design project / Wayne Gehrke, Group 4

*At this time Group 4 is working on developing communication boards that could be placed in the library addressing the need of a new library, the deficiencies of the current library, the reason for maintaining the integrity of Carnegie and the reason for moving it. A conceptual design is being developed and will be presented in late February or March.*

## 10. Committee comments

*Marjorie Rothrock, Commissioner noted that it was good to have Mr. Atkins back and in good health.*

**11. Announcements**

*None*

**12. Adjournment**

*The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m.*

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*James Ernst, President*

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*Herb Cross, Secretary*