

YAKIMA VALLEY LIBRARIES

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Public Hearing – 2010 Budget

4:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 10th, 2009

Downtown Yakima Auditorium

Board Members Present: President Carolyn Calhoon-Dillahunt, Vice President Melba Fujiura, Secretary James E. Barnhill, Richard E. Ostrander, and Jerry Maggard

Staff Present: Kim Hixson Interim Director; Terri Reeder, Administrative Coordinator; Linda McCracken; Public Programs & Resources Manager; Julie Graham, Tech Services Asst.

Public Present: Robert Walker

I. Open Special Session

1. The Public Hearing was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by President Carolyn Calhoon-Dillahunt.
2. President Calhoon-Dillahunt determined a quorum was present.
3. President Calhoon-Dillahunt approved the agenda.

II. Review 2010 Draft Budget

Interim Director Hixson reviewed the document with the Trustees. The overall budget is a 1.67 percent decrease over the prior year including transfers in and capital projects. Property tax revenues projected at a 2.38 percent increase over 2009 based on estimates provided by Yakima County Assessor. No cost of living increase and no new positions are budgeted for the 2010 wages. Benefits have a decreased cost of 6.51 percent in 2010 due to the reduction in the employer portion of the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS). \$70,000 in designated cash from the Boaz Trust will be applied to purchases in the collection; and \$110,652 in designated cash will be used for facility projects. The General Fund is balanced with \$8,791,088 in beginning cash, resources, expenditures, and ending cash. The budget includes a detailed breakout of line items and a recap of the five designated funds.

III. Public Comment

President Calhoon-Dillahunt opened the meeting for public comment. No comment was offered by the attending public.

IV. Closing Comments

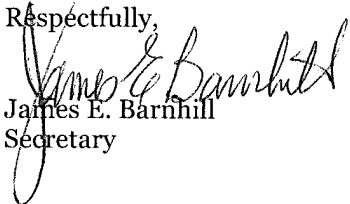
Interim Director Hixson provided a comparison of 2007 to 2008 citing an increase in statistics and patron usage of library services at the request of Trustee James E. Barnhill.

V. Adjournment

President Calhoon-Dillahunt adjourned the Public Hearing on the YVL 2010 Draft Budget at 4:20 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Yakima Valley Libraries Board of Trustees will be Tuesday, November 17th, at 4:00 p.m. in the Downtown Yakima Library Board Room. The adoption of the 2010 Budget will be on the agenda.

Respectfully,


James E. Barnhill
Secretary