

**JOINT RESOLUTION  
OF THE CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL AND THE KLICKITAT AND  
SKAMANIA BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Clark County Resolution #2022-11-04  
Klickitat County Resolution #11222  
Skamania County Resolution # 2022 - 57

A joint resolution of the Clark County Council and the Boards of County Commissioners for Klickitat and Skamania counties relating to the appointment of trustees to the Fort Vancouver Regional Library.

WHEREAS, in 1952, Clark County and Skamania County formed an Interrural Rural Library District; and

WHEREAS, in 1973, the Intercounty Rural Library District was expanded to include Klickitat County; and

WHEREAS, in 1981, the City of Vancouver annexed into the Intercounty Rural Library District; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 27.12.130 and 27.12.190, the County Council and Boards of County Commissioners of the participating counties within the Intercounty Rural Library District are to appoint a board of trustees through joint action; and

WHEREAS, Klickitat, Clark and Skamania counties have entered into an Interlocal Agreement setting forth the process for the appointment of trustees; and

WHEREAS, the term for Position No. 4, which is currently held by Jane Higgins representing Clark County, will expire on December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Jane Higgins has submitted her resignation; and

WHEREAS, Marie Coffey of Vancouver, Washington has expressed a desire and has accepted an invitation for appointment to Position No. 4 representing Clark County for a term that will begin on January 1, 2023 and end December 31, 2030; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Clark County Council and Boards of County Commissioners of Klickitat and Skamania counties to appoint Marie Coffey to Position No. 4, representing the Clark County.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED by the Clark County Council and the Boards of County Commissioners for Klickitat and Skamania Counties, State of Washington that Marie Coffey is hereby appointed to serve as trustee of the Fort Vancouver Regional Library as Clark County's designee to Position No. 4. The appointment is effective January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2030.


DATED this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2022.

COUNTY COUNCIL  
CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
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Karen Dill Bowerman, Chair

Attest:

Clerk to the Council

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
in and for the County of Clark,  
State of Washington



DATED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
Klickitat County, Washington

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Jacob Anderson, Chair

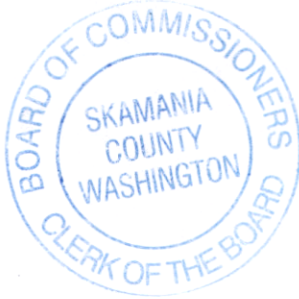
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David M. Sauter, Commissioner

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Dan Christopher, Commissioner


ATTEST:  
Clerk for the Board

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in and for the County of Klickitat,  
State of Washington

DATED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2022.



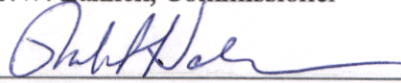
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
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Richard Mahar, Chairman


Absent  
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T.W. Lannen, Commissioner

  
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Robert Hamlin, Commissioner

ATTEST:  
Clerk for the Board

  
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in and for the County of ~~Klickitat~~, Skamania  
State of Washington Lisa Sachos

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Skamania County, Prosecutor

**Sept 30, 2022**

**To the Clark County Commissioners,**

**This letter is to establish my desire to apply for the at-large position on the Board of Trustees for Fort Vancouver Regional Library District. As a resident of North Clark County as well as having work experience with FVRL, I am an excellent candidate for this position. I realize it would be a conflict of interest to be an employee of FVRL and a board member concurrently, and am willing to take a leave of absence from my position in the substitute pool to serve on the board. Having worked at several branches in the district I can bring valuable insights and hands on knowledge to the board to help set direction, monitor and review library performance, oversee library policy, and provide and maintain quality public services for the citizens of our district as set forth in RCW 27.12.**

**FVRL is the 5th largest district in Washington with 15 locations. Our district offers many digital options for reading and research materials. In an effort to provide internet access for our patrons, wifi is available at each branch, as well as scanning, faxing capabilities and 3D printing. Maintaining this technical equipment requires that we employ an IT staff that is versed in the ever changing digital world. This staff oversees not only equipment at each branch, but the devices that are now available to check out. Network Hot Spots, for example, are an extremely popular item, holds for these number in the 50s and 60s, and frequently require attention and service upon returning to the branch. Because of the heavy usage, some need more maintenance before returning to circulation. Are these devices a priority in our budget, despite their need for special handling and attention, or is there a better solution to provide our patrons with internet accessibility?**

Another example of budget choices are print format periodicals. Many are available on a digital platform, we feature access to a huge data base including newspapers and magazines on our website. Should branches continue to offer print magazines as we do at each branch? Does the time spent processing each issue and employee hours spent maintaining them justify the cost of print subscriptions?

On a bigger financial scale, the Woodland Library building project is currently underfunded, despite the tireless work of their Friends group as well as efforts of Librarian Jennifer Hauan, by 1.5 million. The structural plans have been scaled back to 7,5000 square feet to reduce funds needed. As a junior taxing district, FVRL is not first in line for levy funding distribution from property taxes, and an unexpected shortage due to economic downturn could impact our ability to go forward with this project. Trustees would need to balance Cowlitz County patron needs, realizing they have been waiting years for a new building with maintaining a finically wise and prudent budget within available funds.

FVRL offers our patrons much needed resources that they have come to depend on. I hope you will give me a chance to be a part of the Board of Trustees and an opportunity to serve our communitles. Thank you for considering me.

Sincerely,

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**CURRENT EMPLOYMENT** Fort Vancouver Regional Library

2009 - present Substitute pool for Public Services Assistant

Working at multiple branch locations requires adaptability and knowledge of specifics unique to each branch as well as policies and procedures. Responsibilities include:

- Great patrons, assess their needs, provide assistance
- Check out materials, register new patrons
- Assist patrons with facility related concerns
- Manage items returning from circulation
- Computer skills at the front desk.
- Immediate availability on short notice

Subs are regularly rated by supervisors in specific areas of job knowledge, quality and quantity of work, attitude with the public and co workers, judgement, dependability, policies and safety. The following is a typical review of my work: "It was noted that Marie is exceeding expectations with her ability to learn, customer focus and customer service skills, managing change, communications, professionalism and positive attitude. She shows great enthusiasm and wonderful rapport with the rest of the team."

**VOLUNTEER/COMMUNITY SERVICE WORK**

Member of the LaCenter Friends of the Library auxiliary group, assisting as needed at book sale functions.

English as a Second Language, teacher/coach Martin, Slovakia

**PROFESSIONAL HISTORY** US POSTAL SERVICE, LA CENTER, WA - RETIRED

During my career as a window clerk I became adept and proficient at working with the public in a fast paced, multitask, busy environment. I assumed a leadership role when called upon to step in for the Postmaster as needed to oversee the entire operation at our office. In addition to postal transactions at the front counter I was responsible for other areas of the operation, including:

- Train new window clerks
- Reconciliation of all office financial transactions
- Troubleshoot customer inquiries complaints and concerns
- Communicate with team workers
- Conduct safety briefings
- Tabulate payroll for all office employees

**EDUCATION** Bachelor of Arts, California State University, Fullerton