



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

(revised 12/31/09)

Board Clerk Use Only

Meeting Date: 1/13/11
Agenda Item #: R-1
Est. Start Time: 9:30 am

Agenda Title: **Briefing on Multnomah County Library's 2011 "Everybody Reads" Community Reading Project.**

Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title sufficient to describe the action requested.

Requested Meeting Date:	<u>January 13, 2011</u>	Amount of Time Needed:	<u>10 mins</u>
Department:	<u>NonDepartmental</u>	Division:	<u>Comm McKeel, District 4</u>
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Presenter(s): Vailey Oehlke, Library Director

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

No action is necessary; this is a briefing about the Everybody Reads project of the Multnomah County Library.

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.

The ninth annual Everybody Reads project has begun, with this year's selection *The Other Wes Moore*, by Wes Moore. Through the support of the Library Foundation and the Regional Arts & Culture Council, more than 2,000 students in Multnomah County will receive copies of the book and have the opportunity to hear the author speak.

The Other Wes Moore is the story of two boys with similar backgrounds but very different destinies. It is a powerful story of hope, the influence of family and community, opportunity and the cultural and societal barriers to success. This story transcends race and will resonate with anyone who is, or has ever been, at a crossroads.

"Everybody Reads" is a project designed to promote community reading and encourage people to talk to each other about issues that matter and create a stronger community through the power of books. This year's selection can be checked out, downloaded, or accessed as an audiobook. See your library or visit the website (multcolib.org) for more information.

3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).

None.

4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.

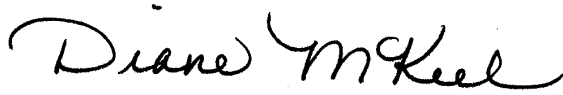
None.

5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.

None. Briefing is intended to prompt increased conversation with citizens and government representatives about this and other selections available through the library.

Required Signature

Elected Official or
Department/
Agency Director:



Date: 1/4/11