

January 17, 2008
Distribution Center, Wenatchee

The January meeting of the Board of Trustees of the North Central Regional Library was called to order by Chair Lynn Beltz. Board members Jim Brucker, Alec McKay, Deborah Moore and Barbara Wolff were present. Library Director Dean Marney, Director of Public Services Dan Howard, Associate Director Marilyn Neumiller, Payroll/Purchasing Manager Dixie Taylor, and Children's Services Manager Toni Hardy were also present.

The agenda was accepted as presented.

Election of officers was discussed. Moore moved to re-appoint Lynn Beltz as Chair, Deborah Moore as Vice-Chair, and to elect Jim Brucker as Secretary. Wolff seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as presented.

A financial report including revolving fund expenditures, fund balances, a listing of bills to be paid, and payroll was presented to the trustees. Fund balances at the Chelan County Treasurer's Office as of December 31, 2007 were reviewed: General Fund, \$6,891,147.75; Automation Fund, \$404,939.45; Service Center Facility Fund, \$435,141.45; Payroll Emergency Fund, \$1,000,926.49; and Endowment Funds, \$469,189.89.

After review and discussion of year-end 2007 Current Expense financial reports and Revolving Fund expenditures, Wolff moved that vouchers #50338 through #50445 in the amount of \$262,878.20 and payroll in the amount of \$22,088.84 be approved for payment from the 2007 budget. Brucker seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. After review and discussion of year-end 2007 Designated Fund vouchers, Moore moved that voucher #0094 be approved for payment from the 2007 budget. Brucker seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

After review and discussion of January 2008 Current Expense financial reports and Revolving Fund expenditures, Brucker moved that vouchers #50446 through #50471 in the amount of \$235,257.18 and payroll in the amount of \$230,105.28 be approved for payment from the 2008 budget. Wolff seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Resolution 08-01: Levy Tax Rate for 2008 Assessment was reviewed. After receiving final valuations from the five county library district area, the resolution amends the 2008 tax levy rate for 2008 to 43.25 cents (\$.4325) per thousand dollars. Moore moved the resolution be accepted as presented. McKay seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Director's Report included Personnel, Legislation, Litigation and Building. The Director informed the members of a letter received from an attorney asking for a meeting with employees who are participating in our 457 deferred compensation plan to discuss how the plan's representatives shared information about the plan. Taylor will be meeting with the district's attorney to discuss the request. Moore suggested the Chelan County Prosecuting Attorney be notified of the request for the meeting with employees. Legislation regarding

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election of library trustees was discussed. Moore and Brucker offered to contact their local legislators to discuss the bill. Discovery on the filtering litigation deadline is set for January 28th. The deadline for filing a motion for Summary Judgment is February 1st, and the trial date is set for June 2nd. Several groups have been using the Distribution Center for meetings, including the Performing Arts Center Board, the Chelan County PUD, and the Wenatchee Downtown Association. The upstairs wood flooring has been refinished. The NCW Quilt Guild will deliver the finished Library Dragon quilt. Additional electrical panels and outlets have been ordered for the upstairs computer room.

Howard presented his January Branch Report. Big Read is set to begin February 1st in Bridgeport, with a reading of THE CALL OF THE WILD and Klondike Days set as an all-day celebration downtown. Branch employees gave book talks to almost every first-grade student in November and 410 first graders received library cards. Training in January includes Stress Reduction and Every Child Ready to Read. Changes in the mail order catalog were discussed during a department meeting. The catalog will have a new look and include new sections. The early literacy committee is training in story time skills.

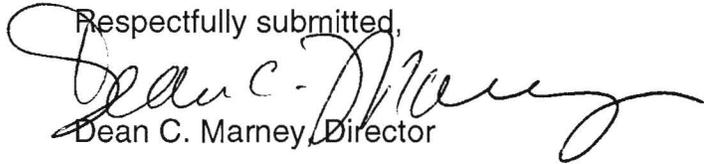
The Automation Report presented by Neumiller included new computers being installed in branches, and NCRL web page visit statistics with visits nearly tripling in 2007. Technology Tuesday's are continuing.

Executive Session to discuss filtering litigation was called at 2:03 p.m. After discussion, the regular meeting reconvened at 2:22 p.m.

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for February 14, 2008 at the Distribution Center in Wenatchee.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Dean C. Marney, Director

Lynn Beltz, Chairperson