

**North Central Regional Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
May 15, 2008
Director's Report**

Personnel:

There are no changes in personnel this month.

Meetings:

I attended the Washington Library Association Meeting in Vancouver, WA on April 17 and 18.

I have registered to attend the American Library Association Conference in Los Angeles the last weekend in June.

Balanced Scorecard:

We have results for this quarter and some new strategic objectives to work on.

Bradburn v. North Central Regional Library:

On April 23, oral arguments were heard on our motion to allow the Washington State Supreme Court to rule on the case. Dan, Deborah, and myself attended the hearing. Judge Shea ruled in our favor. At this point, we are in disagreement with plaintiff's counsel on what the question before the court should be. Both sides will submit their separate questions to Judge Shea by May 23, along with a brief. Judge Shea will then decide the question and transmit it to the Washington State Supreme Court.

Building:

Our new sculpture is in place!

We hosted the North Central Washington Quilt Guild at our building on Wednesday evening, April 30th to celebrate the hanging of their wall hanging, THE LIBRARY DRAGON. There were over 100 quilters in attendance. Among them was Valerie Valaas, who was the original finance manager for the Chelan County Library System.

The Washington State Downtown Revitalization Training Institute Members toured our facility yesterday.

May 15, 2008
Distribution Center, Wenatchee

The May meeting of the Board of Trustees of the North Central Regional Library was called to order by Chair Lynn Beltz. Board members Jim Brucker, Ruth Honey, Roger Lucas, Alec McKay, and Barbara Wolff were present. Library Director Dean Marney, Director of Public Services Dan Howard, Associate Director Marilyn Neumiller, and Children's Services Manager Toni Hardy were also present.

The agenda and minutes of the previous meeting were accepted 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 April 30th were reported: General Fund, \$6,042,128.24; Automation Fund, \$410,207.59; Service Center Facility Fund, \$436,304.38; Payroll Emergency Fund, \$1,014,243.37; and Endowment Funds, \$470,063.44.

After review and discussion of financial reports and Revolving Fund expenditures, Honey moved that vouchers #50861 through #51015 in the amount of \$455,941.69 and payroll in the amount of \$259,036.53 be approved for payment. McKay seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. After review and discussion of Endowment Fund expenditures, Brucker moved that voucher #0044 in the amount of \$73.87 be approved for payment. Honey seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. After review and discussion of Designated Fund expenditures, Lucas moved that voucher #0096 in the amount of \$13,000.00 be approved for payment. Brucker seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

A draft of a Uniform Policy was presented and discussed. The policy allowed for purchase of shirts and/or aprons for staff who wished to participate. After discussion, Lucas moved to accept the policy with the stipulation it be changed to increase the uniform allowance from two shirts and/or aprons per year to four shirts and/or aprons per year. Brucker seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Director's Report included meetings, Balanced Scorecard, litigation, and buildings. The Director, along with Howard, attended WLA in April and has registered to attend the ALA Conference in June. The quarterly results of our Balanced Scorecard were presented by Howard, and new objectives discussed. The Director reviewed progress on Bradburn v. NCRL. The judge ruled in favor of allowing the case to go to the Washington State Supreme Court. Judge Shea will forward the case. The new sculpture "Between Innings" has been placed at the front entry to the Distribution Center. The North Central Washington Quilt Guild was hosted to celebrate the "Library Dragon" wall hanging. The Distribution Center was toured by the Washington State Downtown Revitalization Training Institute members. The building architect, Brad Brisbine also conducted a tour through the building.

Howard presented the May Branch Report. The Evening with Sherman Alexie was very successful with over 800 in attendance. Training for the month included First Aid/CPR. The Information Desk at the Wenatchee Library has been removed to enhance adult reading

and programming areas. The Bridgeport library was reorganized. The Mattawa Library interior was painted. Discussion continues with Holden Village to have NCRL host their audio archives. Bookmobile Librarians Sandi Purcell and Lucy Ford visited George Elementary School to distribute library cards, and have scheduled a return trip to check out books. Circulation in April was up 17% over April 2007.

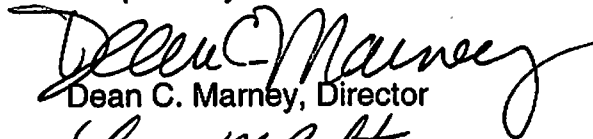
The Automation Report presented by Neumiller included replacement plans for the Horizon server. Horizon software, Information Portal software, and Web Reporter will be updated at the time Horizon Platform Migration will be installed. A multi-drive computer has been configured to store Distribution Staff files and includes a nightly back-up. HIP/Horizon/E-mail refresher workshops were held in Omak, Ephrata and Wenatchee. A Gale resources workshop was held in Omak, with Ephrata and Wenatchee scheduled for later in the month. A workshop is scheduled with the Pacific Northwest Regional Medical Library and will provide information about on-line health resources.

Beltz inquired about having First Aid/CPR trainers on staff for future courses. Lucas inquired about oral State history information. Howard informed the group he was contacted regarding an oral history project of local ski areas.

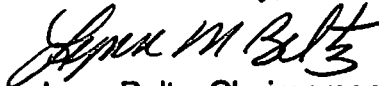
The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Thursday, June 12, 2008 at the Distribution Center, Wenatchee Washington.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Dean C. Marney, Director



Lynn Beltz, Chairperson