The June meeting of the Board of Trustees of the North Central Regional Library was called to order by Chair Lynn Beltz. Board members Jim Brucker, Roger Lucas, Alec McKay, Deborah Moore, and Barbara Wolff were present. Library Director Dean Marney, Director of Public Services Dan Howard, 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 May 31st were reported: General Fund, $7,440,273.30; Automation Fund, $411,084.29; Service Center Facility Fund, $424,236.85; Payroll Emergency Fund, $1,016,475.02; and Endowment Funds, $470,997.50.

After review and discussion of financial reports and Revolving Fund expenditures, Lucas moved that vouchers #51016 through #51175 in the amount of $449,946.08 and payroll in the amount of $262,679.18 be approved for payment. Moore seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. After review and discussion of Endowment Fund expenditures, Brucker moved that voucher #0045 in the amount of $218.70 be approved for payment. Wolff seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. There were no expenditures from the Designated Funds.

Resolution 08-02: Surplus Property was reviewed and discussed. The resolution allows property no longer of use to be delivered to the Chelan County Auction, or disposed of. After discussion, Lucas moved to accept the resolution and list of items as presented. Moore seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Director’s Report included personnel, meetings, litigation, services, and buildings. A ten year comparison report of FTE’s was reviewed. The Director and Howard will be attending the ALA Conference the last weekend of June. Both sides of Bradburn v. NCRL have submitted briefings supporting questions to be sent to the Washington State Supreme Court. There is no time frame set for a decision on hearing the case. The process of redoing the web page has begun. Candidates are being interviewed and a usability study designed by Howard is being conducted. Floors in the Director’s and Howard’s offices will be resealed. The Director and a librarian from Liberty Lake toured the Distribution Center to gather ideas on remodeling an existing warehouse to house their library.

Howard presented the June Branch Report. Republic Library received a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, a program that will bring American art and instructional materials to the library from September, 2008 through May, 2009. Kathleen Baxter from the Bureau of Education presented a workshop on getting kids excited about nonfiction works. The Department of Retirement Systems presented a seminar for employees. Shelving in the Bridgeport Library has been arranged to allow better monitoring of the library. The City of Quincy has plans to move the library into a former department...
store that will be remodeled. The Ephrata Library's children's book club has been very successful. Overdrive downloadable books will be made available for i-Pod later this year.

Beltz informed the group she had received a letter in praise of Dan Howard's contributions to the district from a library user in Coulee City. Discussion of moving the next regular meeting from the 10th of July to the 17th ended with the decision to leave the meeting date on the 10th. Moore shared her impressions from the litigation hearing she attended with the Director and Howard. Delivery of the bookmobile was discussed, and is still on schedule for August.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Thursday, July 10, 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