May 14, 2009
Distribution Center, Wenatchee

The May meeting of the Board of Trustees of the North Central Regional Library was called to order by Jim Brucker, Secretary, in absence of Chairperson Lynn Beltz, and Vice-Chair Deborah Moore. Board Members Alec McKay, Jennifer Maydole, and Barbara Wolff were present. Executive Director Dean Marney, Director of Public Services Dan Howard, Associate Director Marilyn Neumiller, Finance Manager Sue DeWitz, HR Manager Dixie Taylor, and Administrative Assistant Anne Brangwin were present as well.

Angela Morris, Children's Services Coordinator, was introduced to Board Members.

The agenda and the minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as presented.

A financial report including the 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 $6,104,802.10; Automation Fund $443,502.47; Facility Improvement Fund $456,907.39, Payroll Fund $1,085,188.29 and Endowment Fund $466,308.98. After review and discussion of financial reports and Revolving Fund expenditures, Maydole moved that vouchers #52486 through #52636 in the amount of $513,847.15 and payroll in the amount of $268,971.04 be approved for payment. Woolf seconded the motion which passed unanimously. After review and discussion of Endowment Fund expenditures McKay moved that voucher #0051 is approved for payment in the amount of $845.57. Maydole seconded the motion which passed unanimously. After review and discussion of Designated Fund expenditures McKay moved that vouchers #0097 through #0098 be approved for payment in the amount of $10,606.20. Maydole seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The Director's Report included personnel, meetings, services, litigation, building, and automation. Kathleen Cozine has been hired as the new Okanogan branch librarian. Several staff members attended a reception hosted by the Friends of the Okanogan Library to celebrate Lucile Ames's retirement. The Gate's grant is in full swing, which has required NCRL to adjust some positions and job descriptions. Kerry Gelb is now doing deliveries and working the new Computer lab at the Wenatchee branch. Luke Ellington has moved to the Wenatchee branch. Katy Sessions has moved to the Bookmobile. Malia Tucker is now the Chelan/Douglas Co. Branch Manager. Marney and Howard met with Brad Brisbane, architect for the new Quincy Branch, to review initial plans for the facility. Marney and Howard gave a workshop on how NCRL uses Social Marketing at the Washington Library Association Conference in Spokane. NCRL has partnered with the Wenatchee School District on a Federal LSTA grant focused on working with students and teachers to fulfill the new Social Studies Curriculum Based Assessments. The Wenatchee School District has also asked to work with NCRL to
register 7,000 students in the district for library cards so they can access library services. Using RCW 9A.44.193 NCRL has trespassed a Level III sex offender from branches. He has been offered services through Mail Order Library. Oral Arguments before the Washington Supreme Court are still scheduled for the afternoon of June 23, 2009. The upstairs bathroom floors have been replaced and sealed at the Distribution Center. Neumiller took staff online reference training on the road to Ephrata with the goal of increasing substitute staff training. She is also working with Howard to develop public training offerings at the new computer lab at Wenatchee branch. She will also be doing some basic training for the public at the Waterville branch utilizing our laptops and our wireless technology.

Howard presented the May Branch Report. Book-It Repertory Theatre presented “Chicken Sunday” by Patricia Polacco at the Moses Lake, Quincy, Omak, Chelan, and Wenatchee Public Libraries April 15-18. Carl Allen of the Inquiring Mind program presented his program “An hour with Woody Guthrie” at the Omak, Soap Lake, Entiat, Ephrata, Leavenworth, and Waterville libraries in April. The Moses Lake branch will be closed on the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend. Twenty Seven employees attended Library Ergonomics training on April 14th. Neumiller presented several workshops at the Ephrata and Wenatchee branches. Thirty Five employees attended Readers Advisory Training with Carolyn Peterson on May 7th. Twenty Seven employees attended a “Working with Difficult Young People” workshop presented by Dr. James Sutton at the Distribution Center on April 30th.

Angela Morris, Children’s Services Coordinator, gave a short presentation outlining this year’s summer reading program.

During Board Discussion Maydole proposed that NCRL house and distribute a multi-media collection currently administered by the North Central Education Service District. The collection is owned by local school districts and the ESD has plans to break it up and send it back to the districts.

Wolff moved to cancel the June Meeting due to the lack of a quorum. Brucker seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Thursday July 16th, 2009 at the Distribution Center, Wenatchee WA.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

Dean Marney, Executive Director

Lynn Belz, Chairperson