April 10, 2008 Distribution Center, Wenatchee

The April 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, and Deborah Moore 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 March 31st were reported: General Fund, \$5,374,988.98; Automation Fund, \$409,152.15; Service Center Facility Fund, \$435,178.62; Payroll Emergency Fund, \$1,011,560.41; and Endowment Funds, \$469,191.58.

After review and discussion of financial reports and Revolving Fund expenditures, Brucker moved that vouchers #50724 through #50860 in the amount of \$361,472.16 and payroll in the amount of \$261,883.12 be approved for payment. McKay seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. After review and discussion of Endowment Fund expenditures, Moore moved that voucher #0043 in the amount of \$349.92 be approved for payment. McKay seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Director's Report included personnel, litigation, services and programs, and buildings. L&I, after an inspection, has upgraded the risk classification for the Mail Order Library personnel. Dixie Taylor, Human Resources Manager, has accepted a position on the 2009 WLA Conference planning committee. Courtney James, Wenatchee Branch, Sandra Menendez, Omak Branch, and Barbara Gallaway, Moses Lake Branch have been appointed Circulation Supervisors. The Director informed the group that discussion of litigation during meetings does not qualify for Executive Session unless NCRL's attorneys are present. Legal documents were distributed to the group. The date for oral arguments for Summary Judgment has been moved to April 23rd. The Director attended a Kiwanis meeting to talk about library services and reading programs. MPAA ratings have been added to films in the online catalog. NCRL is participating in Wayfinder, The Catalog of Washington Libraries, which contains information on the collections of Washington public, academic, government, law, medical, corporate, special and tribal libraries. Bids for HVAC service are being sought. Divco currently provides service.

Howard presented the April Branch Report. The Wenatchee Library interior has been painted. Xeriscaping for the exterior is being considered, with an invitation extended to the local Master Gardeners to participate. A collection development workshop was held in March. One of the new vehicles scheduled for purchase in the 2008 budget has arrived, a Toyota Prius. The "Between Innings" sculpture has arrived and is waiting for placement. A draft of graphic choices for the bookmobile was discussed.

Neumiller distributed examples of comments and discussed results of the 24/7 Virtual Reference survey.

Toni Hardy presented the group with samples of materials for use during the 2008 Summer Reading Program. The 2008 theme is "Catch the Reading Bug". Hardy also presented a book talk to the group.

McKay inquired about book sales by Friend's groups at the branches. It was explained that surplus books are being sent to Thriftbooks who sells them for the district with a greater profit than local book sales, but that books are still available to groups who are still holding sales.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Thursday, May 15, 2008.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Dean C. Marney, Director

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