The September meeting of the Board of Trustees of the North Central Regional Library was called to order by Chair Lynn Beltz. Board members Roger Lucas, Alec McKay, and Deborah Moore were present. Director Dean Marney, Director of Public Services Dan Howard, and HR Manager Dixie Taylor 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 and payroll to be paid in October was presented. Fund balances at the Chelan County Treasurer's Office as of August 31st were reported: General Fund, \$6,270,844.81; Automation Fund, \$413,525.50; Facility Improvement Fund, \$426,774.53; Payroll Emergency Fund, &1,022,679.20; and Endowment Funds, \$462,215.15.

After review and discussion of the financial reports and Revolving Fund expenditures, Lucas moved that vouchers #51403 through #51509 in the amount of \$377,947.23 and payroll in the amount of \$254,392.55 be approved for payment. McKay seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. After review and discussion of Endowment Fund expenditures, Moore moved that voucher #0049 in the amount of \$663.65 be approved for payment. Lucas seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. There were no expenditures from the Designated Funds in September.

The Director's Report included personnel, audit, Balanced Scorecard, training and buildings. Linda Finkle, Wenatchee Information Services Librarian, has retired. The State Auditor's Office has completed auditing the 2006/2007 fiscal years and will be scheduling an exit interview. Balanced Scorecard updates were discussed, including customer service surveys, self-checkout, training locations, and vehicle mileage improvements. The Director and Howard will attend the Association of Rural and Small Libraries conference. An architect is being consulted regarding difficulties with the rolled door between the sort area and south garage.

Howard presented the September Branch Report. The bookmobile has made its first trip to Orient, Curlew and Keller. The Tonasket City Council is discussing expanding the library. The Omak library interior has been painted and interior signage refinished. Training included a "Baby Rhyming Time" workshop.

Salary and benefit issues for the 2009 budget year were discussed. The Washington Counties Insurance Fund requires employer paid 100% participation in the dental, vision, life, employee assistance and long term care plans. Life insurance and the employee assistance plans are currently paid at 100%. Funding for the vision, dental and long term care plan will be included in preliminary 2009 budgeting. Step increases and cost of living will also be considered. Further information and costs of coverage will be provided at the October meeting.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Thursday, October 16, 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