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Colville Library Board Meeting
October 5, 2011

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Meeting began at 4:00. Present were Bob, Krista, Dorothy, Annie, and Deanne.

There were no agenda changes and no new business.

Minutes of July minutes were approved.

Library Manager's Report:

Summer Reading Program – Participation is down somewhat, possibly because there were no prizes this summer, but there's no money.

Baby Storytime – Adrienne does this for birth to 2 year olds. 3-5 parent/child pairs participate.

Early Release Movies – It is uncertain if the district will renew the public performance license (\$800) which allows the library to show movies on early release days. Colville Library is overcrowded on these days since children have no place to go.

100th Anniversary Celebration – was very successful.

School Visits – Krista has done kindergarten orientations. Bright Beginnings preschool visited the library, and Adrienne went to Head Start for a visit and story time.

All Staff Training Day – tackled strategic planning

Renovation – was hectic and HARD WORK. Thanks to many volunteers, it is almost completed and working well as envisioned. We love it!

Kindle books – can now be downloaded from the library, although half of the e-book collection is checked out at any given time. (E-books are heavily used.)

Computer Classes – will begin again on Oct. 25 for 1 hour each week.

Humanities Washington Program, *Cast Your Lines: Fishing in the Columbia River Basin*, will be presented at 6:00 pm, October 10, at the Colville Library.

Haley Hubbard and Luke Walker, both high school students, volunteer at the library once a week and are doing a terrific job.

The new website for Libraries of Stevens Co will be up in the next few months.

Library Budget for 2012:

Colville mayor asked all managers to submit a 2012 budget with 5% cuts. Because most of the library's expenses are monthly bills that can't be reduced, Krista found it impossible to make 5% cuts without cutting staffing/library hours. She submitted her budget with no significant cuts, and it was accepted by the city. Library staff already have no COLA or step increases and limited training opportunities. Krista does not anticipate major cut-backs in library hours at this point.

No report from the Library Improvement Club. (They're awesome; the renovation could not have happened without their help!)

Meeting was adjourned at 4:50.

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