

Colville Public Library Board  
Meeting Minutes  
February 12, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President Kari Hubbard at 4:00pm. Attending the meeting were Dorothy Bergin (Colville City Council), Kari Hubbard, Willie Hume, Deanne Ressa, and Krista Ohrtman.

The minutes from the October meeting were approved as read by Deanne and Willie.  
New Business:

Krista shared that over 15,000 items were borrowed from our OverDrive downloadable collection in 2013. This number includes all libraries. She also reported that 475 new users signed up to use OverDrive in 2013.

Broadband fiber has been fully installed and is in use at the Colville Library, there are still some kinks with the new connection, but seems to have improved our internet speed.

Krista also gave a report on the activity at the Colville Public Library for October through January with over 1500 sessions in October and January and over 1300 in November and December. These months reflect lower numbers due to the holidays and reduced hours of the library. The regular programs; open computer labs, preschool and baby story time and adult book club continuing, teen book club has discontinued due to lack of interest and attendance.

She reported that we were able to send away 77 boxes of books to Better World Books, an online company that sells whatever books they can and sends a portion of the proceeds back to the Improvement Club.

A new Library Assistant 1, Janelle Rainer, was hired and her first day at Colville was January 13<sup>th</sup>. She also teaches at the Colville Community College and will be a great addition to the staff. The Colville staff is also working with Career Path Services to host a young woman with developmentally differences to evaluate her skills in the workplace. Chantelle and a job coach come to the library twice a week to help with shelving, cleaning and other projects. She is doing a fine job so far!

The Libraries of Stevens County will facilitate a One Book, One County program in April featuring the book *The Big Burn* by Timothy Egan. Tim will visit Colville on Saturday, April 12 and the Book Club will discuss it on April 10<sup>th</sup>.

Krista reported that the library worked in conjunction with WSU Extension to establish a "Gadget Garage" to allow community members a chance to experiment and explore technology tools! Jessica (our district-wide Technology Coordinator) was available at our Colville Library to answer questions and allow patrons opportunity to explore the tools just before the holidays.

Krista also advised us that the library will be closed on February 28 for all-staff training on upgrades to our ILS.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45pm by the President. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, May 14, 2014 at 4:00pm.