

**Monroe Library Board
Quarterly Board Meeting
Thursday, February 9, 2012**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Attendance: Joan Brown, Betsy Lewis, Shawn Schollmeyer, Valerie Stevens, Roma Strong Zanders

Minutes: The minutes from the November 10, 2011 meeting were approved with no changes.

Guest Presentation: Dawn Rutherford, Teen Services Coordinator, gave a presentation on “Why the 40 Developmental Assets?” discussing the forty developmental assets for young adults, grades 6 through 12. Dawn also reviewed the top books that teens are reading.

Sno-Isle Report: The Camano Island “Library Pilot Project” raised funds to keep their library open for a few more years, and are still hoping to build a new library in the future (once the economy improves). Digital music from Freegal is available on the Sno-Isle Libraries website. Each patron can download three songs per week for free, and have no expiration date.

Librarian’s Report: Betsy highlighted a few items in her report. Monroe Library Associate Amy Smith was appointed to a two-year term on Sno-Isle’s Readers Advisory Team. Betsy pointed out a few things that Amy will do in this capacity (books on the “What We’re Reading” banner, editing reader’s reviews of books, help select titles for Book Discussion kits). Betsy also asked Shawn to talk about the five Citizenship classes that were offered at the Monroe Library in December and January. Betsy discussed the internet access (full or filtered) that library patrons have at the Monroe Library.

Continuing Business: The City Council is interested in participating in another Library Open House for council members, and Betsy will let the Board know when that may happen in 2012. A new Library Board member is being recruited and will hopefully be approved by May’s Board meeting. Board elections will occur at the May meeting. Ken Harvey will be our guest at the May meeting discussing the 50th anniversary of the Sno-Isle Libraries.

The next Library Board meeting will be held on Thursday, May 10, 2012. The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 pm.