

**Monroe Library Board  
Quarterly Board Meeting  
Thursday, November 8, 2012**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm.

**Attendance:** Tami Beaumont, Joan Brown, Michael Mates, Chuck Pratt, Shawn Schollmeyer, Valerie Stevens, Roma Strong Zanders

**Minutes:** The minutes from the August 9, 2012 meeting were approved with no changes.

**Sno-Isle Report:** Valerie mentioned that the next Ambassador's training is on 1/24/13 from 9:30 until 12:30 in Marysville. Also, text messaging is now available for library patrons to receive an alert when a book is ready to be picked up or is nearing its due date. Valerie discussed current Monroe census statistics and how that information is used by the library to target its services to meet the local population.

**Librarian's Report:** Chuck gave the Librarian's Report in Betsy's absence. He shared that the teen section will have new booth seating in the next few months, thanks to a grant given by the Sno-Isle Libraries Foundation. Monroe is piloting Early Learning iPads for young children. Chuck passed out two of the iPads so we could look at how the device is set up and what applications they have.

**New Business:** Shawn gave a presentation on resources for board members through ALA and WLA. ALA membership is \$59 per year and offers a way to learn how to help the library through promoting programs and sharing resources.

The Monroe Historical Society is interested in partnering with the Monroe Library to offer a program focused on archaeology in the Monroe area. The board members were excited about the possibilities of working together to create an event that highlights not only the history of this area, but also the two different boards.

The Board agreed to change the next meeting from February 14, 2013 to February 21, 2013 at 7 pm.

**Elections:** Board members elected Joan as the Board President and Michael as Board Secretary for 2013.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.