Orcas Island Public Library
Long-Range Plan, June 2010
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Library Mission Summary:

The Orcas Island Public Library serves and enriches the community by maintaining a strong core collection of books, other materials, online resources, and services; by supporting learners of all ages across a variety of formats and interests; and by providing a meeting place and a forum for discussion.

The Library’s mission, goals, and actions will be guided by its Core Service Values, as approved and updated by the Library Board.

Library Goals and Objectives:

- Community members will encounter a wealth of books and other materials.
  - Fiction and non-fiction holdings will include over half the items in recommended reading lists.
  - User satisfaction with the collection will exceed 80%.
  - Requested purchases and interlibrary loans will respond to at least 80% of user needs.

- Learners of all ages will find and be able to use effectively the resources and services they need to succeed.
  - The Library will communicate with other organizations to determine their library-related needs, in order to strengthen community services and partnerships.
  - The Library’s Technology Plan will include scheduled environmental scans, evaluation of online resource needs and usage, and strategic implementation of appropriate information technologies.
  - Community members will be able to take classes in the Library to ensure that they are able to make full use of the Library’s range of materials and formats.

- Community members will find a welcoming place to meet and to discuss issues of interest to them.
  - The Library building will feel welcoming and conducive to informal meetings to at least 80% of Library users.
  - Online directories, meetings, and discussion forums will show use by 10% of the community annually.
  - The Library will facilitate community-led sessions about issues important to the community.

Approved by the Board of the Orcas Island Library District on June 14, 2010.
Trustees: Lois Cornell [President], Alan Lichter, Rachel Newcombe, Joan Pedrick, and Tom Welch.

Community Planning Committee: Martin Arnold, Barbara Bedell, Lois Cornell, Art Lange, Beth Morris, Grant Myles-Era, Iris Parker Pavitt, Tom Tillman, and Linda Treheway. Laura Tretter, San Juan Island Library Director, facilitated the initial planning meeting.