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## **Board hears report on library reading program**

### **TRIBUNE REPORTS**

Jackson County Public Library Youth Services Assistant Shannon Sumner gave a report on the Reading Stampede summer reading program and Leadership Jackson County when the Jackson County Public Library Board of Trustees met Tuesday at the Crothersville Library.

Head of Youth Services Melessa Wiesehan and Sumner visited local schools to promote the program to more than 2,400 students; however, the program is open to all ages. Readers will receive prizes for up to 500 minutes of reading, and listeners will receive prizes for up to 50 books through July 30.

Sumner is a graduate of this year's Leadership Jackson County program. Her leadership project involved investigating a skatepark for Jackson County.

The board approved accepting school supplies in lieu of fines from Aug. 1 to Aug. 31. Lists of acceptable supplies will be available in June or July. The library also will accept donations from people without overdue fines. More than 1,400 items were donated to schools throughout the county in 2004.

Seymour building project architect Steve Fridley and interior designer Heather Kammer gave an update on the project to the board. Construction is tentatively scheduled for completion by the end of June, with furniture installation by the end of July.

The board personnel committee report included a recommendation to the budget committee to increase personnel salaries by 4.01 percent for 2006. The board budget committee will meet June 20 to discuss preliminary 2006 operating, bond and capital projects funds budgets.

The board approved minor changes to the library property and building use policy and the Friends of the Library taking donations for parking during Oktoberfest on Oct. 1.

The next board meeting is at 5 p.m. June 21 at the Medora Library.