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Library needs money

The Yakima Regional Library, like most other taxsupported institutions, is showing signs of getting into the swim with other agencies in the search for more money.

One of three-fields of study recommended to the library's board of trustees Tuesday by C. Ross Carter, assistant librarian, was that of finances.

Carter said that the study would be aimed at "how to get more money" for library operation. He referred to the "2-mill tax limit" now in effect as far as the libraries are concerned. "We should explore how to have an extension beyond that limit," he said.

Other points of study suggested by Carter were 'extension services' and 'local library liaison.' Under extension services, he urged that local boards or regional libraries throughout the area be invited to hold joint meetings with the library's board of trustees—either in Yakima or at the site of the member library. Tied in with this intermingling of the boards, he also suggested that a county wide bond issue for library capital improvements might be studied.

The trustees immediately voted to invite other boards to meet with them. The invitation is to include boards of school and college libraries as well as member library units in the regional system.

The third proposal about liaison was aimed mostly at the staffs of the libraries getting together and exchanging ideas. He said most of this could be worked out between staff members.

In other business Tuesday, the library announced that it will be host July 24 to a meeting of the Washington State Library Commission.