Library Faxing Policy

PURPOSE
Whereas, some communities served by community libraries do not have any facsimile machine (fax) services available, a community need may exist that could be fulfilled by the library. Some libraries within Yakima Valley Libraries may be able to provide such a service to the public.

POLICY
The Attorney General has found in AGO 1992, no. 31 and reaffirmed in AGO 2005, no. 5, that fees may be charged by a public library for the use of public telephones, photocopying machines and “fax” machines since these are not “library services,” but rather simply services provided as convenience.

Per Resolution #06-014, the Yakima Valley Libraries’ Board of Trustees authorizes the Director to determine the need and feasibility of providing these services to the public in certain libraries where such need exists, and sets initial fees at one dollar ($1.00) per page for local faxes and three dollars ($3.00) per page for long distance faxes.

Resolution # 06-014

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