Secretary’s Council on Library Development

Kirkpatrick State Information Center
Secretary of State Conference Room
Jefferson City, MO

August 3, 2012

Members present: Bacon, Buthod, Carr, Curls, Darst, Gage, Hancox, Keeney, Munzlinger, Mullaly-Quijas, Sanders, Schmitt, Watts

Absent: DePriest, Ellinger, Fuchs, McCampbell, Staines, Wilke

Staff present: Baker, Conroy, Reading, Morrisroe, Jones, Smith, Allee-Bates, Shay, Rouse

Darst called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. Council members and guests were introduced.

Morrisroe introduced Frances Rouse. Rouse replaces Andy Small as the Acquisitions Technician. Small was promoted to the position of Electronic Resources Technician. Morrisroe also introduced David Shay, who replaced Genevieve Dazet as the Cataloger/Reference Librarian.

Open time for public to address the Council

Jacque Gage was named as one of the fifteen Most Influential Women in Joplin for 2012.

Budget and Legislative Update – Margaret Conroy, State Librarian

The two bills for Jasper County and for libraries statewide to levy a sales tax did not pass the legislature. Legislation was passed to authorize Pemiscot County which had accidently omitted in the original legislation.

Sanders said Poplar Bluff held an election to institute a ¼ cent sales tax for Poplar Bluff Public Library the first week of June. The tax passed 3 to 1. The library budget will triple and hopefully this will open the door for other public libraries to be able to do the same.

Conroy said the Legislature approved full funding for the REAL program and the Governor has signed for the full funding.

State Aid for public libraries was cut by $100,000.

The Athletes and Entertainers Tax fund for public libraries received $100,000. This fund is used by public libraries to purchase materials.
The Secretary of State’s Office as a whole did not receive any reductions.

**Missouri Evergreen – Donna Bacon, Executive Director, MOBIUS**

MOBIUS has a contract with the State Library to host and manage an integrated library system for the public libraries in the state. Evergreen is the name of the open-source automation software, and the libraries using it formed a consortium called Missouri Evergreen.

There are 13 libraries in the first wave to be added to Missouri Evergreen. Poplar Bluff Public Library was the first to move onto the system on July 1. Grundy County Library went live on July 23, Marshall Public Library on August 6, and Carrollton Public Library on August 28. The remaining nine libraries will migrate beginning September 1, 2012 through August 31, 2013.

The libraries will pay a fee to MOBIUS annually for the service. The cost formula is based on the size of the library.

**Wolfner Library Update – Richard Smith, Director**

Since 2009, Wolfner books have moved from analog to digital format. Magazines will now be changing from analog to the digital format this fall. The Braille and Audio Reading Download Program (BARD) is being upgraded to include braille books for downloading.

Wolfner Library contracted with Avant Marketing in St. Louis to assist in gathering and analyzing information for Wolfner to use in forming a strategic plan.

The 2012 Summer Reading Club is under way, with readers under the age of 18 tracking reading times in order to earn a free book and an entry into the grand-prize drawing for an iPad. Smaller prizes will be sent to club members reporting their total reading times at the end of the program. Prizes are purchased with funds provided by the Friends of Wolfner Library and by the Library Development Division of the Missouri State Library.

**Public Library Development Update – Brenda Allee-Bates, Library Administration Consultant**

A public library standards committee was formed by the Missouri Library Association (MLA) Public Library Community of Interest to revise and update the Public Library Standards. Betty Martin, Director of Cape Girardeau Public Library, serves as Chair. The original version of the standards was developed by MLA and published in 1995. A draft should be ready for review at the Missouri Public Library Directors meeting in December.

The following libraries had tax levies, or tax increases on the ballots:
- Centralia Public Library – did not pass
- North Kansas City – passed
- Poplar Bluff Public Library, the first library to have the sales tax on the ballot- passed.
- Neosho-Newton County - did not pass
- Missouri River Regional Library – August ballot issue
- Marion County-Palmyra – August ballot issue
- Caldwell County – August ballot issue
- St. Louis – November ballot issue
- Jefferson County – November ballot issue

Public Library Statistics Review – Katina Jones, Statistical Research Analyst

Jones gave a presentation on the collection and use of public library statistics.

Annual data can be found at http://www.sos.mo.gov/library/development/statistics.

LSTA FY2013-2017 Five Year Plan – Debbie Musselman, LSTA Grants Officer, Barbara Reading, Library Development Director

Reading said the State Library was notified in May by the IMLS of additional measurement requirements to be incorporated into the new Five-Year Plan. The priorities and goals were adjusted to fit the new LSTA guidelines.

Musselman said the focal areas to be incorporated into the plan are:
- Lifelong Learning
- Human Services
- Employment and Economic Development
- Information Access
- Library Capacity Building
- Civic Engagement (still in development)

The plan is to be approved by October 1, 2012 by IMLS.

Musselman said the Spanish that Works program is currently suspended. The ShowMe Steps grant program will be expanded to include group trainings.

State Library Report – Margaret Conroy

The Continuing Education Committee has been disbanded.

Summer Institute begins next week in Columbia, MO.

The next time the Council meets on November 30, there will be a new Secretary of State. The new Secretary of State will take office in January.

Approval of Minutes from April 6, 2012 Council Meeting
Darst asked for any questions and/or corrections of the April 6, 2012 meeting minutes. Hearing none, Darst called for a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Carr so moved. Watts seconded. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Darst adjourned the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

2012 Meeting Dates: November 30, 2012