Secretary's Council on Library Development

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Jefferson City, MO

April 5, 2019

<u>Members present:</u>, Regina Cooper, Mickey Coalwell, Melissa Hopkins, Rebecca Marcum Parker, Mary Beth Revels, Heather Hufstedler, Katrina Stierholz, Beth Ann Caldarello, Wicky Sleight

<u>Absent</u>: Sen. Jamilah Nasheed, Rep. Tommie Pierson, Sen. Jeanie Riddle, Rep. Kathryn Swan, Shirley Lawler, Rita Gulstad, Rebecca Hamlett

<u>Staff present</u>: Kayla Collins, Kelley Kallmeyer, Trish Vincent, Amanda McConnell, Robin Westphal, Debbie Musselman, Regina Anderson, Terry Blauvelt

Guests: Dan Brower, Erin Gray, Lysha Thompson

The quarterly meeting of Secretary's Council was held on Friday, April 5, 2019. Regina Cooper served as meeting chair. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM.

Council members and staff introduced themselves.

Votes on Meeting Minutes

Cooper asked for a vote and review of the November 15, 2018 meeting minutes. Sleight made a motion to approve, Parker seconded. Minutes approved, none opposed.

Missouri and Federal Legislative Updates; Dan Brower, Erin Gray, Lysha Thompson Brower with the Missouri Library Association Committee states that 1.18 million dollars have been restored to state aid for libraries but there was no increase in funding for Athletes and Entertainers allocations or REAL funding. Brower also states that he and other MLA members have meetings scheduled with the Missouri congressional delegation to talk more about federal funding for libraries.

Thompson with MASL states that they now have a definition for a school librarian which is 'A school librarian is a teacher who holds a certificate of license to teach and is certified as a library media specialist by DESE.' Thompson also states that their focus this year was working with the Department of Education to have an exemplary school library program for school libraries to apply for so they can be more successful and provide services to students.

Reference Services; Robin Westphal

Westphal stated that reference services has been targeting specific state departments offering reference services, research and trainings to different state agencies/departments such as conservation, mental health and natural resources. They have also been working on a project with the government and state documents by adding more metadata so that the information is more easily accessible to patrons/employees to use.

Wolfner Talking Book and Braille Library; Amanda McConnell

Westphal introduces the new Public Service Manager of Wolfner Library; Amanda McConnell. Wolfner Library is currently without a director but they have had some interviews and are waiting for a potential out of state candidate to come visit the office. McConnell states that she has been doing several outreach events including the National Federation of the Blind, Heartland Chapter.

Wolfner finished the Mocha Pilot which was an experiment from NLS that tested directly downloading books from a cellular network on a device to see how well it worked and what the connectivity of different areas were. This is a pilot project and is not readily available yet. McConnell says that Wolfner Library will eventually be using duplication on demand. This process allows for up to eight books to be loaded to one cartridge and then sent to patrons. Currently, only one book can be loaded onto a cartridge at a time.

A statewide advertising campaign for Wolfner Library has increased interest and participation in the library.

Lisa Hellman, youth services librarian for Wolfner, demonstrated two stem kits that Wolfner will soon be offering to individuals and member institutions.

State Librarian Westphal wrapped up the Wolfner report by remarking that the recording studio in the library produces more recorded books in house than any other LBPH library in the country.

Library Development; Debbie Musselman, Regina Anderson, Terry Blauvelt and Robin Westphal

Musselman states that Library Development is offering two new LSTA grants: a Show Me Steps grant for new library directors to attend the Missouri Public Library Directors meeting an Edge Action Plan Grant for libraries that have completed their Edge assessment and started their action plan goals.

Mussleman announced that IMLS Program Director Dennis Nangle would be doing a site visit May 15-17.

Regina Anderson, grants officer, gave an update on the LSTA Project Plan for FY2020. A motion was made (Parker) and seconded (Sleight) to endorse the plan. The motion was approved unanimously.

Blauvelt gave an overview of the statistics for library visits and also talked about the 2020 Census.

Westphal talks about the Edge Program and how we are offering the Edge Action Plan grant because we want to see where these libraries are at with technology resources. There have been 6 libraries that have completed the assessment and 4 that are in the process of completing it..

Statewide Courier System - MALA; Mickey Coalwell

Coalwell states that MALA has been operating the Statewide Courier System through an LSTA grant for several years and as of December 2018 First Choice chose to terminate their contract with MALA. Henry Industries took over courier duties as of April 1, 2019.

State Library Report; Robin Westphal

Westphal remarked that the State Library is working with the Missouri Bicentennial Commission to develop programs for 2021.

She stated that the Missouri State Library newsletter, Show Me Express, has a redesigned format and extended content to be more responsive to school, academic and public libraries.

Westphal said that nationally, all state library agencies are trying to increase the federal LSTA Grants to States funding for libraries to \$1 per capita. LSTA funding's have not changed in over 20 years even though needs have increased.

Next Meeting: July 26, 2019

Adjournment

Cooper called for adjournment. Sleight moved, Revels seconded. Approved unamimously. Meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.