

Secretary's Council on Library Development

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State Library Conference Room, 2nd Floor
Jefferson City, MO

July 27, 2018

Members present: Regina Cooper, Rebecca Hamlett, Melissa Hopkins, Shirley Lawler, Rebecca Marcum Parker, Mary Beth Revels, Heather Hufstedler, Barbara Sheinbein, Katrina Stierholz, Beth Ann Caldarello, Rita Gulstad, Christie Lundy, Wicky Sleight

Absent: Sen. Jamilah Nasheed, Rep. Tommie Pierson, Sen. Jeanie Riddle, Rep. Kathryn Swan, Susan Burton

Staff present: Debbie Musselman, Nicole Kleffner, Trish Vincent, Donna Riegel, Robin Westphal, Becky Wilson, Jennifer Thompson, Regina Anderson

The quarterly meeting of Secretary's Council was held on Friday, July 27, 2018. 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 April 6, 2018 meeting minutes. Changes noted, and made. Gulstad motioned to approve, Parker seconded. Minutes approved, none opposed.

Missouri and Federal Legislative Updates; Robin Westphal

The House approved level funding for LSTA for 186.3 million FY19. At the Senate level they requested for LSTA and IAL to have an additional 2 million increase. Actions have been taken on both of them, until they have been passed we won't know the amount. Secretary Ashcroft requested the full A&E potential appropriation to libraries of \$4,060,000 that was kept at the current level of \$800,000. Ashcroft requested to have the REAL program restored to the FY2015 level of \$3,109,250, that was kept at the current level of \$2,000,000, and that was passed in the final budget. Wolfner Talking Book and Braille Library will receive \$54,000 to support a Wolfner Awareness Campaign. Vincent explained that Ashcroft is aware that the A&E appropriations are not what they should be, they may have to slowly work their way up to the 10% that it should be. Cooper agreed that taking it slowly is the best way to go, but feels that steps need to be taken to reach the 10%.

Library Development; Robin Westphal, Debbie Musselman, Becky Wilson

The State Library will start offering an author grant for schools and public libraries, with the hope that they will work together. Westphal explained that this grant was wrote from scratch,

containing the required information from IMLS. This shows that the State Library is able to create grants that fit what the libraries need. The first round of this grant has limited funding, but hopefully there is enough interest that the State Library can pull funding from another sources.

Revels motioned to approve, Lundy seconded. Author grant passed, none opposed.

The support for Missouri Evergreen is looking to separate from MOBIUS. Next year the grant would change from MOBIUS to Missouri Evergreen, so we would be paying the services instead of the vendor.

Westphal talked about another program that the State Library is looking into supporting which is Career Online High School. Libraries would be able to offer seats for patrons in the community. This programs is geared more towards adults, not the younger patrons. Westphal explained that there is so much information that needs to be figured out first before moving forward with this project. Westphal is reaching out to the smaller libraries figuring out if this is something that they can handle. The cost is \$1,000 a seat per student.

The State Library ran a social media campaign about TumbleBooks from April 16th – July 15th with this program being held on Facebook and Instagram. When TumbleBooks blocked schools from using the services, this decreased the numbers of users.

Musselman talked about making a new group for new directors, helping them transition into the new position, quarterly meetings, and helping them meet others in the area. Offering them the tools to understand the job more smoothly. Westphal asked if a manual of best practices would be helpful and handy.

Wolfner Talking Book and Braille Library; Donna Riegel

The 80th Anniversary took place on Saturday June 2, 2018, included Volunteer Reconnection, Friends Meeting, and 80th celebration. Staff will be launching STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) kits for school aged children this fall.

State Library Report; Robin Westphal

Westphal has been the State Librarian for 3 and half months now, she learning so many new things during her time here. She has been visiting libraries, handing out grant checks and getting to know how the State Library can help libraries. Western Council drafted a resolution, stating that “We as group, feel that time is done we ask for what we got last year.”

The State Library is looking at a more cooperative relationship with the legislative library with reference services. The State Library wants to make sure that both agencies are not doing the same work, and make any improvements to make it work better together.

Next Meeting: November 15, 2018

Adjournment

Cooper called for adjournment. Revels moved, Parker seconded. None opposed. Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.