

Secretary's Council on Library Development

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Jefferson City, MO

November 15, 2019

Members present: Regina Cooper, Mickey Coalwell, Melissa Hopkins, Mary Beth Revels, Heather Hufstедler, Beth Ann Caldarello, Wicky Sleight, Rita Gulstad, Shirley Lawler, Rebecca Marcum Parker and Katrina Stierholz

Absent: Sen. Jamilah Nasheed, Rep. Tommie Pierson, Sen. Jeanie Riddle, Rebecca Hamlett, Christie Lundy and Rep. Kathryn Swan

Staff present: Robin Westphal, Kayla Collins, Kelley Kallmeyer, Trish Vincent, Harry Roberts, Leslie Bowman, Laura Kromer, Regina Anderson, Janet Caruthers

Guests: Dan Brower (MLA Legislative Chair), Grace Boykin and Jodie Borgerding (Amigos)

The quarterly meeting of Secretary's Council was held on Friday, November 15, 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 April 5, 2019 and July 26, 2019 meeting minutes. Gulstad made a motion to approve, Sleight seconded. Minutes approved, none opposed.

Missouri and Federal Legislative Update; Dan Brower

Brower starts off stating that the budget revenue and income tax revenue are both up which is good when it comes to our state funding. The restoration of REAL and A&E funding is still in the works to get it back to where it originally was. Brower states that National Library Legislative Day is on May 4th and 5th in Washington, DC and State Library Advocacy Day is on March 11, 2020 which is very important in helping restore our funds.

Library Development Update; Robin Westphal

Library Development had a few staff changes and is finishing up the process of hiring an Adult Services Consultant. We also welcomed aboard Janet Caruthers who is our new Technology and Resource Sharing Consultant. In FY19 the State Library awarded 182 grants to libraries of all different sizes and demographics and even helped one library go from a paper card catalog system to being fully automated who then went straight to Missouri Evergreen. We now have 122 libraries that are apart of MALA's Courier system. We have also trained over 4000

library staff members which included Ryan Dowd's Homeless Training Institute program. We had over 170 youth participate in Summer Library Programs. The Missouri State Library was informed of some controversy in the 2020 SLP artwork which depicts Native American culture and came off offensive so CSLP is looking at ways to address it. We are still working on getting our new grant management system set up and hopefully will have it up and running for our long term grants in 2020.

Wolfner Talking Book and Braille Library Update; Leslie Bowman

Bowman starts off with statistics and numbers stating that Wolfner Library now serves 8,826 active patrons with 292 youth patrons and 729 institutions. She also states that the Wolfner Library has several outreach events scheduled where the staff will go to educate the public about Wolfner Library services. Wolfner Library has also had several staff member changes and they advertised that they are searching for a new Volunteer Services and Recording Studio manager. Bowman gives an overview on the circulation process for the audio books. The circulation department is also preparing for a major change in their work flow as they move towards a new Duplication on Demand (DoD) model (Gutenberg) which will help improve the service to their patrons.

Reference Services Update; Laura Kromer

Kromer starts off giving a brief overview of what the Reference Services department does and the information they have available. Laura states that they have hired a few new employees including a new Government Documents Librarian. Reference Service used LSTA funds to purchase new books that can now be checked out which include topics of Digital Curation and Archives and Emerging Technology. Julie Cox the Outreach and Training Librarian has put together a new newsletter called Behind the Stacks which has received great feedback. At this time there are 3,600 state employees that have a State Library Card with over 50,000 state employees so Reference Service is encouraging all state employees to get a library card.

State Library Report; Robin Westphal

Westphal shares that the State Library is looking at the possibility of providing a product called 'Simply-E' to libraries which is a service that allows for multiple eBook products to be accessed by patrons from one user interface. Westphal states that the State Library will be starting to discuss and put together the 5 year LSTA plan in January of 2020 so that it is complete by 2021. Another project that the State Library will be starting is working with the Missouri Library Association to update and revise the Missouri Public Library Standards Document. Westphal states that the State Library is also going to be studying books/articles on how they can improve leadership internally. Lastly, The Missouri State Library was chosen to speak at the Mid-Winter ALA Conference in January talking specifically about early literacy initiatives that we were able to promote.

Next Meeting: April 24, 2019

Adjournment

Cooper called for a motion to adjourn. Stierholz moved, Sleight seconded. Approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.