

Attachment B

Secretary of State's Council on Library Development

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

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July 8, 2011

Members present: Buthod, Carr, Darst, DePriest, Fridley, Fuchs, Gage, Hancox, Mullaly-Quijas, Sanders, Staines, Watts

Absent: Byerly, Keeney, McCampbell, Talboy, Wilke

Guests Attending: Jeanne Sullivan, MOREnet
Donna Bacon, Executive Director, MOBIUS
Beth Willis, MLNC

Staff present: Conroy, Reading, Steinman, Bates, Wingo, Morrisroe, Smith Morrison, Lair

Carr called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. Council members and guests were introduced. Conroy introduced Brenda Allee-Bates. Bates is the new Administration and Management Consultant for the State Library, replacing Maria Hines. Bates was the former director of the Texas County Library.

Donna Bacon, Executive Director of MOBIUS addressed the Council. MOBIUS has signed a contract with Poplar Bluff Public Library to host their Evergreen system. Christian County Library and Camden County Library will be sharing their collections on the union catalog. MOBIUS is currently under negotiations with two public libraries on a resource-sharing pilot project.

Conroy announced that KCLMIN has changed its name to Mid-America Library Alliance (MALA).

Staines announced that effective July 1st, Donna Bacon is the Executive Director of MOBIUS.

Legislative and Budget Update – Margaret Conroy, State Librarian

Conroy stated the Governor has signed House Bill 161, authorizing libraries in Senate dist. #25 to ask voters to levy a half cent sales tax.

A change to the Athletes' and Entertainers' Tax exempts 501(c)3 organizations from withholding and submitting income tax to the state for entertainers. A proposed elimination of the sunset, currently set at 2015, did not pass. The Cultural Partners have decided not to pursue the elimination of the sunset in the 2012 legislative session.

Senator Cunningham's bill governing how libraries handle materials deemed harmful to minors did not receive a hearing this session.

The Governor has signed the FY12 budget, which includes full funding for the REAL Program and state aid funding at the FY11 level. The Governor's proposed budget eliminated MOREnet funding in HB3, but the legislature put in \$50,000. The Governor signed the budget with the \$50,000 included, but immediately withheld the appropriation.

State Library Response to Joplin Tornado – Margaret Conroy

The State Library was able help the Joplin Public Library with LSTA funds in response to the devastating May tornado. The library building was not damaged, but thousands of dollars worth of materials checked out to patrons were lost. Joplin's two open grants (targeted collection development and technology ladder) were amended to grant additional funds to the library for replacement materials and new computers to assist with disaster recovery.

If needed, the State Library would be able to offer a technology grant to the Joplin school district.

Gage said the Missouri library community has donated over \$17,000 to library staff who lost their homes. MOREnet, Mid-Continent and the library in Pittsburg, KS sent staff to assist with setting up computers for a supplemental computer lab. The library is acting as a collection station for public school textbooks, and as a re-charging station for cell phones.

MDH Website Updates – Carl Wingo, Technology and Digitization Consultant

Wingo gave a presentation on the new Civil War portal on the Missouri Digital Heritage website, implemented to celebrate the sesquicentennial of the Civil War. The portal contains research guides, lesson plans and streaming videos from the State Archives' monthly Civil War programs.

Automation Task Force Update and Resource Sharing Discussion – Carl Wingo (Attachment A)

The task force is made up of public library directors charged by the State Librarian to research the formation of a shared automation consortium.

The task force has sent a request for a letter of interest to 149 public libraries in order to form a pool of libraries with which to approach vendors for “no obligation” cost estimates. Of the 65 libraries responding to date, 44 stated interest in participating.

The task force will next report to the libraries which vendors are interested in pursuing a more formal negotiation. Libraries will be asked to sign formal letters of intent to participate in a consortium and begin more formal negotiations with vendors. The Task Force’s goal is to have a consortium formed by the end of the year, with system implementation to begin in 2012.

State Aid Administrative Rules Proposed Changes – Margaret Conroy (Attachment B)

By statute, in order to qualify for state aid libraries must annually certify to the State Library the amount of revenue collected in their most recently concluded fiscal year. In order to facilitate consistency in certifications by libraries with July 1-June 30 fiscal years, the State library would like to change the certification deadline from June 30 to July 31. This deadline is set by administrative rule, not statute. The formal process for changing an administrative rule takes a minimum of 180 days; the State Library hopes to initiate a rule change in September so it in place for next year’s state aid certification process.

Conroy asked for the consent of the Council to proceed with the request to change the certification deadline. Carr called for a motion to approve proceeding with the Administrative Rule change. Watts so moved. Darst seconded. Motion carried.

Conroy said Wolfner Library would like to formally change it’s name from Wolfner Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped to Wolfner Talking Book and Braille Library. To be fully legal, a change to RSMO 181 will be required. She asked the Council for an endorsement of the legal name change. The Council endorsed the name change.

Gates Grant Wrap-Up – Jean Morrison, Technology and Electronic Resources Consultant

Morrison gave a PowerPoint presentation of some of the public libraries in Missouri who have benefited from the Gates grants for public access computers. Morrison gave a brief description of each library she visited for the Gates grant monitoring report.

WebJunction Partnership Program Changes – Sharla Lair, Continuing Education Consultant

Lair gave a brief description of WebJunction, an OCLC product which provides online courses for libraries. The State Library became a member of WebJunction in December 2009 and originally offered courses through WebJunction to Missouri affiliates at a discounted rate. Starting July 1st, WebJunction has made all the courses free of charge, so the State Library in turn will no longer be charging a fee. WebJunction membership is paid for largely with LSTA funds.

State Library Report – Margaret Conroy

Conroy spoke about an e-book survey she had recently completed through the Chief Officers of State Library Agencies (COSLA) regarding e-book usage in the state. COSLA has been working very hard on gauging e-book use, looking at the industry and formulating recommendations and ways for libraries to use this technology. Out of the 148 public library administrative units, 53 offer downloaded media and serve 3.8 million patrons.

Approval of minutes from Council Meeting of December 10, 2010 (Attachment D) and April 8, 2010 (Attachment E)

Carr asked for any corrections or additions to the minutes. Hearing none, Carr stated the minutes are approved as submitted.

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

2011 Meeting Dates: December 9, 2011