

System and Resource Library Administrators Association of Wisconsin
October 16, 2007
Brown County Library, Green Bay

Present: Janet Jennings, Superior PL; David Polodna, WRLS; Sharon Winkle, Mead PL, Sheboygan; Mark Merrifield, NFLS; Rick Krumwiede, OWLS; Mark Arend, WLS; Jeff Gilderson-Duwe, WLS and Oshkosh PL; Tom Hennen, WCFLS; Ruth Ann Montgomery, ALS; Jim Trojanowski, NWLS; Jessica MacPhail, Racine PL; Bernie Bellin, LLS; Barb Dimick, Madison PL; Stef Morrill, SCLS; Phyllis Davis, SCLS; Barbara Kelly, Appleton PL; Jim Gingery, MCFLS; Robert Hafeman, MCLS; Michael Golrick, L.E. Phillips Memorial PL, Eau Claire; John Thompson, IFLS; Doug Baker, KCLS and Kenosha PL; Phyllis Christensen, Marathon County PL, Wausau; Marla Sepnafski, WVLS; Krista Ross, SWLS; Walter Burkhalter, MWFLS; David Weinhold, ESLS.

Also present: Kathy Schneider, WILS; Sally Drew, DLTCL; Mike Cross, DLTCL; John DeBacher, DLTCL

1. Chair Burkhalter called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m.
2. A quorum was present. Tom Hennen had the proxy for Jane Ameel.
3. Introductions were made and a welcome was given to the new director at the Marathon County Public Library, Phyllis Christensen, and the new director at Wisconsin Valley Library Service, Marla Sepnafski.
4. There were no changes or additions to the agenda.
5. Bellin/Trojanowski moved to approve the well prepared and extensive minutes, as corrected, of the August 10, 2007 meeting. Motion carried. Kudos were given to Michael Golrick.
6. Trojanowski/Merrifield moved to receive the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.
7. The assembly discussed various concerns about the implementation of Act 420. Some issues that were raised:
 - Should the calculation of the payments exclude the county library service payments from the operation expenses?

- Should there be a minimum billing amount?
- Should the minimum billing amount be based on circulation or dollars?

Members of the assembly spoke about caution on changing the law and willingness to live with imperfect law. A county supervisor recognized that the law made the county responsible for the use by non-librarians no matter where they went to get library materials. Also if there are other reimbursement agreements in place, libraries can agree not to send bills to adjacent counties for reimbursement.

In the end the assembly agreed to Wait and See!

8. Chair Burkhalter sent a letter to the Legislative Audit Bureau. The Audit report will come out late in the year. The assembly agreed to Wait and See!

9. Jim Gingery, Milwaukee County Federated Library System, asked the assembly for information related to the internal interlibrary loan of DVDs, VHS tapes, and CDs. One of the member libraries has made the library's collection of these formats non-requestable in their shared library automation system. Other member libraries are concerned and raise the question about fairness, when that library's residents can request these formats from other libraries in the system. Issue is of concern in other library systems also. This type of restriction affects service to system residents. Jim will query the list to find out if member library participation agreements address the internal interlibrary loan issue.

10. Michael Golrick asked whether the annual report definitions for revenue, expenditures, and capital expenditures were based on standard accounting definitions. The Division staff recommended that Al Zimmermann address the question. Arend/Baker moved to Wait and See and to invite Al Zimmermann to provide a presentation on the Annual Report definitions related to Income, Expenses and the calculation of the MOE. Motion carried.

11. Kathy Schneider presented information about the WILS membership survey that shows responses from public libraries. She is concerned that public libraries reported the least familiarity with WILS services. Kathy asked how WILS could best disseminate information about WILS. Assembly replied that WISPUBLIC would be the most effective way. Also suggested were system newsletters, WILS workshops on services, and visits to libraries.

12. Trojanowski reported on the plans for the COLAND Visioning Summit to be held in the spring of 2008. Trojanowski is part of the planning team. COLAND Chair Kathy Pletcher is sending out information about the Summit and the process by which the library community can provide input to the Summit. COLAND will invite 100 people who represent various stakeholders of the Wisconsin Library Community to participate in the Summit. Information will be posted to the COLAND web page on the DLTCL website. <http://dpi.wi.gov/coland/index.html>

13. There was no new information on the State Budget. The assembly agreed to Wait and See! MacPhail reported that the WLA Legislative Day is January 22, 2008 and the ALA Legislative Day is May 12 and 13, 2008.

14. DLTCL reports

No more waiting - Gates Foundation is paying for Wisconsin public librarians who served communities with less than 25000 people to take WebJunction and ED2Go courses. Librarians should enroll by 12/15/2007 for these courses.

In 2009, Wisconsin receives Gates funds for hardware replacement grants.

WISCAT - ILL is looking for a system with an NCIP module for testing with Agent.

LITAC circulating issue papers on a variety of subjects including:

Consumer-driven technology

Virtual Reference

Digitization

Internet safety.

15. SRLAAW will meet again on Friday, February 8, 2008 at 10 a.m. at the WLA/SCLS offices.

16. Golrick/Arend moved to adjourn. Motion carried by rising from our seats. Adjourned at 3:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

David Weinhold, volunteered.