

Golden Plains Library Federation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Roosevelt County Library, Wolf Point, MT

Thursday, September 17, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

Attendance:

Board Members:

Karen (Connie) Hanrahan	Daniels County Library
Patricia Knierim	Glasgow City-County Library
(Proxy) Trent Kleppen	Sheridan County Library
(Proxy) Laurie Evans	Roosevelt County Library

Public Library Directors:

Marlene Machart	Daniels County Library
Jonna Underwood	Sheridan County Library
Megan Haddix	Glasgow City-County Library
Andrea Hayes	Roosevelt County Library
Janeen Brookie	Phillips County Library

College Library Director:

Anita Scheetz	James E. Shanley Tribal Library
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Guests:

Sarah McHugh	Montana State Library
Suzanne Reymer	Montana State Library

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Karen Hanrahan. She asked if there were any additions to the agenda and there were none.

The minutes from the April 25, 2015 meeting were read. Anita motioned to accept the meeting minutes as read and Pat seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was basically no State Librarian's Report as the focus was on the Networking Task Force. The spring meeting will focus on trustees.

We were informed that we will all need to go into the Library Directory to update before Janeen can make adjustments to the Plan of Service when we spend more or less in the various programs.

Sarah stated that it is very important to emphasize a benefit statement when completing the Plan of Service.

Jonna presented a report on the Networking Task Force. We shared ideas and discussion on the various aspects of the survey questions we were given. We talked about the Listening Session and Survey Questions specific to libraries.

Some of points we brought up included the importance of being involved with social media and the fact that programs we have sponsored regarding training in this area have been poorly attended. Technology User Groups where people come with their devices and share ideas and learn from each other would be beneficial.

Sarah spoke on the various projects and programs provided through the State Library and where the funding comes for these and that cuts will have to be made due to decreasing Coal Severance Tax revenues. The Federal LSTA program staff will have a salary and health benefits increase so that will decrease funding for other statewide projects. Discussion was held on the various programs and pilot projects associated with them such as OCLC Group Services, Montana Memory Project, various training, Montana Shared Catalog, Courier Project, and Montana Library2Go and how libraries rank their importance. Ranked first was OCLC Group Services and second was the Montana Shared Catalog.

Old Business:

Our theme for the Sheila Cates Auction next year is a "Garden Basket".

New Business:

Fall Workshop will be held in Helena on October 2 and 3. Montana Library Association Conference will be held in Missoula on April 6-9, 2016.

Discussion was held on carpooling to these events.

Next meeting will be held on April 21, 2016. Janeen volunteered to bring the refreshments for that meeting. Pat Knierim invited us to hold the April meeting at the Glasgow City-County Library so we can view their new remodeling projects.

There being no further business, Chairman Karen Hanrahan adjourned the meeting at 12:45 p.m.