

MINUTES
STATE LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
March 15, 2018

The State Library Board met March 15, 2018 in the Boardroom of the State Library, 274 East First Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43201.

CALL TO ORDER

The business meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. State Library Board members present were: Ms. Krista Taracuk, President; Ms. Laurie Gemmill Arp, Vice-President; Ms. Melissa Hendon Deters; Mr. Michael Merz; Dr. Tracy Najera; and Ms. Beverly Cain, Secretary.

Visitors present were: Don Yarman, OPLIN; Debbie McDonald, Recorded Books; Doug Evans, Ohio Library Council; Erica Clay, INFOhio; Amy Pawlowski, OhioLINK; Terri Fredericka, INFOhio; Ariel Bacon, KSU iSchool Practicum Student; Jennifer Wiezbiski, KSU iSchool Practicum Student; and Christine Morris, OhioNET.

State Library staff members present were: Bill Morris, Julia Ward, Anne Libby, Mandy Simon, Anne Kennedy, Kirstin Krumsee, Cindy Boyden, Janet Ingraham Dwyer, Nicole Merriman, Marsha McDevitt-Stredney, Andy Ingraham Dwyer, Phil Willke, Ann Watson, and Jamie Pardee.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Deters moved (M-5-18) that the minutes of the January 18, 2018 Board meeting be approved.

Mr. Merz seconded the motion. The motion passed with Ms. Taracuk, Ms. Arp, Ms. Deters, Mr. Merz, and Dr. Najera voting "aye."

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

LSTA REPORT

Libraries Connect Ohio Statewide Core Electronic Databases

Mandy Knapp, Digital Resources Manager at Ohio Public Library Information Network (OPLIN), Amy Pawlowski, Deputy Director of OhioLINK, and Erica Clay, an Instructional Team Specialist with INFOhio presented the funding request for the Libraries Connect Ohio (LCO) databases. LCO is a partnership between the State Library of Ohio, OPLIN, OhioLINK, and INFOhio. The partnership negotiates every five years with vendors. Ms. Clay explained that databases are selected based on need. This year, there were fifteen librarians representative of the different types of libraries on the selection committee. The committee reviewed 55 proposals from 20 vendors using a scoring rubric. It was LCO's goal that the content that the committee chose would be useful to all Ohioans. Ms. Pawlowski explained that the EBSCO package will include new resources for less cost than before. Other products included in the package are World Book, Very Short Intros, Chilton's Auto Repair Manuals, Transparent Languages, Kids InfoBits, and Oxford Research Encyclopedias. Ms. Taracuk said that she was impressed with the detailed scoring rubric. Mr. Merz asked if the Oxford Research Encyclopedias were related to the printed books, and Ms. Pawlowski explained that they were. Mr. Merz asked what a rubric was. Ms. Knapp explained that they took language from the RFP and reviewers graded proposals using the criteria outlined in the RFP and how well they were met.

Dr. Najera moved (M-6-18) that a Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) grant in the amount of \$1,500,000 be awarded to the Ohio State University for the Libraries Connect Ohio (OhioLINK, OPLIN, INFOhio) Statewide Core Electronic Databases. For the period of July 1, 2018 – September 30, 2018, \$750,000 will be awarded from FFY2017 funds. \$750,000 of the grant amount will be funded from FFY18 funds for the period of July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019, contingent upon the release of SFY2019 appropriations from ALI 350-601.

Mr. Merz seconded the motion. The motion passed with Ms. Taracuk, Ms. Arp, Ms. Deters, Mr. Merz, and Dr. Najera voting "yes."

STATE LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Board Development Conference

Ms. Cain presented the Board with the proposed agenda for the Board Development Conference taking place May 17-18, 2018 at Cuyahoga County Public Library. The Board agreed that the agenda sounded good and had no changes.

Practicum Student Introductions

Ms. Cain introduced two Kent State University iSchool practicum students to the Board. Ariel Bacon is a graduate assistant at KSU and holds a bachelor's degree in music. Ms. Bacon is interested in collection development and cataloging. Her practicum project involves organizing and improving the collection at the Franklin County Juvenile Detention Center. She is also working with Research and Catalog Services on ODOT materials review and the Floyd Dickman Children's Book Collection, as well as working with Janet Ingraham Dwyer on Choose to Read Ohio. Jennifer Wiezbiski is a Teen Services Specialist at the Karl Road Branch of Columbus Metropolitan Library. Ms. Wiezbiski has a bachelor's degree in English from The Ohio State University. She presented with Ms. Cain in Scioto County to a group of middle school students. She is organizing author and publisher information and writing toolkits for the 2019 and 2020 Choose to Read Ohio booklists. She is also assisting with logistics for the Take 5 youth services event. Ms. Bacon and Ms. Wiezbiski will both graduate with their Masters of Library and Information Science degrees from KSU in May.

Ms. Cain announced that Missy Lodge, Associate State Librarian for Library Development, will be retiring at the end of September.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business

NEW BUSINESS

National Library Week and National Library Workers Day Resolution

Mr. Merz moved (M-7-18) that the Board approve the following resolution recognizing National Library Week and National Library Workers Day:

WHEREAS, libraries have historically served as our nation's great equalizers of knowledge by providing free access to all and libraries are part of the American dream, places for education, opportunity and lifelong learning; and

WHEREAS, Ohio libraries provide a forum for diverse ideas and points of view that help us better understand each other and ourselves; and

WHEREAS, librarians are trained professionals, helping people of all ages and backgrounds find and interpret the information they need to live, learn and work in a challenging economy; and

WHEREAS, librarians design and offer programs to meet their community's economic needs, providing residents with resume writing classes, interviewing workshops and job seeking resources; and

WHEREAS, librarians and library support staff bring Ohioans a world of knowledge in person and online, as well as personal service and expert assistance in finding what is needed when it is needed; and

WHEREAS, Ohio's school, academic, public and special libraries make a difference in the lives of millions of Ohioans and provide excellent and invaluable service to library users regardless of age, ethnicity, or socioeconomic background; and

WHEREAS, Ohioans and Ohio libraries benefit from the resources, services, and support provided by the State Library of Ohio and the library's dedicated staff; and

WHEREAS, libraries, librarians, library workers and supporters across America are celebrating National Library Week and National Library Workers Day;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on this day, March 15, 2018, the State Library Board proclaims National Library Week, April 8 – 14, 2018, and National Library Workers Day, April 10, 2018, and encourages all Ohio residents to visit their libraries or library websites this week to take advantage of the variety of library resources available and thank their librarians and library workers for their exceptional contributions to American life.

Ms. Deters seconded the motion. The motion passed with Ms. Taracuk, Ms. Arp, Ms. Deters, Mr. Merz, and Dr. Najera voting "aye."

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items for discussion, the Board adjourned by common consent at 10:31 a.m.

President

Secretary

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