

MINUTES
STATE LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
October 29, 2015

The State Library Board met October 29, 2015 in the Aerie Room of the Mohican Lodge and Conference Center, 4700 Goon Road, Perrysville, Ohio.

CALL TO ORDER

The business meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m. State Library Board members present were: Mr. John Myles, President; Ms. Jennifer McKell, Vice-President; Ms. Krista Taracuk; Ms. Ms. Melissa Hendon Deters; Ms. Laurie Gemmill Arp; and Ms. Beverly Cain, Secretary.

Visitor present was: George Needham, Delaware County District Library.

State Library staff members present were: Bill Morris, Julia Ward, Marsha McDevitt-Stredney; Jamie Pardee; and Ann Watson.

Mr. Myles started the meeting by amending the agenda to add item D. Retirement Resolution under New Business.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Deters moved (M-28-15) that the minutes of the September 17, 2015 Board meeting be approved.

Ms. Taracuk seconded the motion. The motion passed with Mr. Myles, Ms. McKell, Ms. Taracuk, Ms. Deters, and Ms. Arp voting "aye."

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

LSTA REPORT

KnowItNow Update

Beverly Cain, State Librarian, provided the board with an update on KnowItNow. At the September 17, 2015 meeting the Board voted to defund KnowItNow, effectively ending the program. Marsha McDevitt-Stredney, Director of Marketing & Communications, released a message to the KnowItNow providers the day after the meeting informing them of the Board's action. A general announcement was released later which included a quote from Felton Thomas, Director of Cleveland Public Library, about how technology had changed and we had to change with that. The State Library has answered a few questions, and most people understand the library landscape has changed and are supportive of the decision. Ms. McDevitt-Stredney has been in contact with Chatstaff about the technical aspects of shutting down KnowItNow and archiving the content. Ms. Arp said she thought it was great that KnowItNow will be archived. Mr. Myles suggested sending a reminder to libraries to remove KnowItNow links from their web pages.

STATE LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Ashtabula County Boundary Update

Bill Morris, Governmental Affairs Coordinator, provided the board with an update on the Kingsville Public Library boundary issue in Ashtabula County. There are eight library systems in Ashtabula County. Kingsville Public Library, a school district library, wants to add territory that they feel they are serving. They have tried several times in the past and have been unsuccessful.

Mr. Morris and Ms. Cain visited Ashtabula County to see the territory in question and received information from Ashtabula County District Library who currently has the territory. Ms. Cain explained the history of the boundary issues to the Board. Mr. Myles asked that the Board be provided with documentation when a decision needs to be made and that Ms. Cain should document all the steps that she and Mr. Morris have taken as well.

Ms. Cain recognized Evan Struble, Mandy Knapp, other State Library staff for all the hard work that they put into making ILEAD USA-Ohio a success, as well as George Needham, Director of Delaware County District Library, emcee of the event, and steering committee member. Mr. Needham thanked the Board for their support and commended the staff of the State Library for the program.

Ms. Cain shared information about the annual Chiefs of State Library Agencies (COSLA) fall meeting in Cape May, NJ with the Board. There were 43 State Librarians in attendance. Ms. Cain attended a CE opportunity from RIPL for State Librarians that was excellent. The State Library would like to send a staff member to RIPL in the future. Attendees also heard from Dan Cohen from Digital Public Library of America, Mike May from New York Public Library who was a developer for Library Simplified, and Kit Matthew, the new director of the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bucyrus Public Library Boundaries

Mr. Morris stated that the State Library received no requests for a hearing regarding the redefinition of the Bucyrus Public Library boundaries that the Board proposed at the September 17, 2015 meeting.

Ms. Taracuk moved (M-29-15) for the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolution 15-3

Redefinition of the Bucyrus Public Library Boundaries

WHEREAS, the Board of Library Trustees of the Bucyrus Public Library, Bucyrus, Ohio has at a regular meeting of the board on July 14, 2015 requested a redefinition of the boundaries of the Bucyrus Public Library; and

WHEREAS, said application for such action by the State Library Board has been properly filed, and has been reviewed and considered by the State Library Board in accordance with procedures established in Section 3375-4-05 of the State Library Board Administrative Rules;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the State Library Board, acting under its power in section 3375.01 (G) of the Ohio Revised Code and in accordance with procedures established in its Administrative Rules that the Bucyrus Public Library be redefined to include the following:

Bucyrus, Dallas (excluding the portion that is Ridgedale School District), Holmes, Liberty, Tod (excluding those portions that are Upper Sandusky School District), Texas

(excluding the portion that is Mohawk School District), Lykens, and Whetstone from Monnett-Chapel Road East to Shearer Road North to S.R 19 East to S.R. 602 North to Crestline Road East to Beck Road North to Lower-Leesville Road West to S.R 602 to the Whetstone Township Border.

And note that all references to political subdivisions refer to such subdivisions as constituted on this date; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the State Librarian is directed to provide a certified copy of this resolution to the Crawford County Auditor; Crawford County Board of Elections; Bucyrus City; Bucyrus Public Library; Crestline Public Library; Galion Public Library; Mohawk Community Library; Bliss Memorial Public Library; Marion Public Library; and Upper Sandusky Community Library.

Ms. Deters seconded the motion. The motion passed with Mr. Myles, Ms. McKell, Ms. Taracuk, Ms. Deters, and Ms. Arp voting “yes.”

NEW BUSINESS

Consumer Advisory Committee Appointments

Ann Watson, Associate State Librarian for Library Services, presented to the Board candidates to be considered for appointment to the State Library’s Talking Book Consumer Advisory Committee.

Ms. McKell moved (M-30-15) that the following persons be appointed to the State Library’s Talking Book Consumer Advisory Committee for a three-year term, November 1, 2015 – October 31, 2018:

Consumer Representatives:

- Mike Bosela (Initial term)
- Janell A. Brown (Re-appointment)
- Stephanie Claytor (Re-appointment)
- Marilyn “Mickey” Prahin (Re-appointment)
- Heather Youngman (Re-appointment)

Ms. Taracuk seconded the motion. The motion passed with Mr. Myles, Ms. McKell, Ms. Taracuk, Ms. Deters, and Ms. Arp voting “yes.”

State Library Board Nomination

Ms. Cain explained to the Board that Mr. Myles’ term expires at the end of this year. The State Board of Education is the State Library’s appointing authority and they have requested that we do a Call for Nominations in spite of the fact that we have an incumbent who is President of the Board. The Call was sent out on Tuesday with wording that specifies that Mr. Myles is seeking a second term. Nominations are due to the State Library by November 13. Ms. McKell asked if it was okay if we didn’t receive any nominations and Ms. Cain said that it was. The Board will provide a recommendation for appointment after the December Board meeting. Ms. Cain explained that if the State Board of Education does not appoint Mr. Myles, Ms. McKell would ascend to the Presidency.

Treasure Mountain Resolution

Mr. Myles provided the Board with a history of the Treasure Mountain Research Retreat. Mr. Myles moved (M-31-15) that the Board approve the following resolution recognizing the Treasure Mountain Research Retreat and the work of Dr. David Loertscher and Dr. Blanche Woolls.

WHEREAS, the 22nd and final Treasure Mountain Research Retreat will be held on November 4-5, 2015 at The Ohio State University Libraries; and

WHEREAS, for over 25 years Treasure Mountain has provided the premier opportunity for school library researchers and practitioners to share research, experiences from the field, and dialogue regarding best practices in school librarianship; and

WHEREAS, Treasure Mountain has served as an important forum for the creation, exploration and promotion of innovative school library programs which contribute to the improvement of teaching and learning in schools across the country; and

WHEREAS, Dr. David Loertscher and Dr. Blanche Woolls have for many years been the leaders behind the scenes of Treasure Mountain, working tirelessly to promote the program, coordinate the presentations and disseminate the results through their presentations and publications.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the State Library Board of Ohio, recognize the significant contributions to the field of school librarianship that have resulted from the cumulative record of the Treasure Mountain Research Retreats, and that we further recognize Dr. David Loertscher and Dr. Blanche Woolls for their contributions to the advancement of school librarianship and their exemplary dedication to their profession.

Ms. Deters seconded the motion. The motion passed with Mr. Myles, Ms. McKell, Ms. Taracuk, Ms. Deters, and Ms. Arp voting, "aye."

Retirement Resolution

Ms. Taracuk moved (M-32-15) that the Board approve the following resolution honoring the retirement of Mary Jane Santos:

WHEREAS, Mary Jane Santos has served with distinction and dedication as a leader in the Ohio library community for 31 years; and

WHEREAS, Mary Jane Santos served as Director of the Delaware County District Library since 2006, leading the library through a period of unprecedented achievement and growth; and

WHEREAS, Mary Jane Santos gave unsparingly of her time, energy, and knowledge to develop partnerships and support collaboration among Ohio's libraries through her support of the Ohio Library Council and State Library initiatives such as Library Leadership Ohio, the LSTA Competitive Grant Program, National Library Legislative Day, and the Ohio Digital Library; and

WHEREAS, Mary Jane Santos was honored as the Ohio Library Council's Librarian of the Year in 2014 and;

WHEREAS, Mary Jane Santos has provided leadership and service to the Delaware community through her involvement in many local organizations including the Delaware City Council, Delaware Area Chamber of Commerce, Delaware Lions Club, and Delaware Rotary;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Board of the State Library of Ohio, meeting in regular session this 17th day of September, 2015, at Columbus, Ohio, express their individual and collective gratitude and appreciation for Mary Jane Santos.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. McKell moved (M-33-15) at 9:00 a.m. that the Board enter into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter regarding the State Librarian's pay.

Ms. Deters seconded the motion. The motion passed with Mr. Myles, Ms. McKell, Ms. Taracuk, Ms. Deters, and Ms. Arp voting "aye."

The Board came out of Executive Session at 9:20.

Ms. Taracuk moved (M-34-15) for a 5% increase in salary from the Governor's Office for State Librarian Beverly Cain to be submitted as soon as possible to take effect January 1, 2016.

Ms. Deters seconded the motion. The motion passed with Mr. Myles, Ms. McKell, Ms. Taracuk, Ms. Deters, and Ms. Arp voting "aye."

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items for discussion, the Board adjourned by common consent at 9:28 a.m.

President

Secretary

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