Metropolitan Library Service Agency

Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
Friday, June 5, 2015
White Bear Lake Library
9:00 am – 11:00 am

Members Present:

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<th>Anoka:</th>
<th>Marlene Moulton Janssen</th>
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<td>Carver:</td>
<td>Heidi Hoks</td>
<td>Saint Paul:</td>
<td>Kit Hadley</td>
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<td>Dakota:</td>
<td>Ken Behringer</td>
<td>Scott:</td>
<td>Jake Grussing</td>
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<td>Hennepin:</td>
<td>Lois Thompson</td>
<td>Washington:</td>
<td>Keith Ryskoski</td>
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Staff Present: Kathleen James, Melinda Ludwiczak, Sarah Teske and Judy Todd

Others Present: Joyce Schneider (WCL) and Dr. Anthony Molaro, MLIS Assistant Professor, St. Catherine University

I. CALL TO ORDER
Chair Thompson called the meeting to order at 9:15 am.

II. CONSENT AGENDA
A. Approval of Agenda
Approval of Meeting Minutes (May 21, 2015)
Motion by Hoks to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by Behringer. Motion carried.

III. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF WASHINGTON COUNTY LIBRARY DIRECTOR
Joyce Schneider introduced Keith Ryskoski, the new Washington County Library Director. Prior experience includes 29 years in education from teacher, principal, assistant superintendent and superintendent.

IV. PRESENTATION: Dr. Anthony Molaro, MLIS Assistant Professor, St. Catherine University – Maker Space
Some excerpts from Dr. Molaro’s power point presentation
- What is Making and a Maker Space:
  Making
  o The act of turning nothing into something
  o The ability to tackle and solve real world problems
  o The means of production within anyone’s grasp
  Maker Space
  o A physical space
  o A service
  o A philosophy, culture, way of life
  o Less about technology and more about relationships
- Library Core Values
  o Access
  o Equity
Public Good
  o We have a role in improving equity of access for STEM and making for people of all genders, races, socio-economic backgrounds.

- Staffing
  o The success of this space will depend on qualified and engaged staff. We see libraries tackle the staffing of these spaces in two ways:
    o Staff
    o Volunteers
  o Staff for this space need:
    - Encouragement
    - Failure is OK
    - Time
    - Training
    - Consider Lynda.com
    - Attending Maker Faires

- What Would I Do Today
  If I were you I would focus on:
    o Building a computer lab and hosting a coding club for kids and Minecraft events
    o Create a Digital Media lab with 1 or 2 stations
      - 8 X 8 room
      - Audio / Video / Graphic production
      - Small Businesses
      - Teens
      - Families
    o Create a Maker Space whether fixed or popup
      - Vinyl Cutter
      - 3D Printer
      - E-textiles
      - Sewing and crafting

The Advisory Board shared programs currently offered in their libraries. Dr. Molaro suggested if he was running a library today he would create a learning experiences division (programs), an access division (circ and technical services) and a customer experience division (reference and public spacing).

V. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS
A. Legacy Funding Formula
Ludwiczak offered legacy funding projections for the Advisory Board to review today. Final figures won’t be available until the Legacy Bill is signed. MELSA staff has suggested several programs would not continue past FY15. After a lengthy discussion, the Directors asked Behringer to contact Ann Hutton to see where CRPLSA is with regard to the 10% state-wide programs.

Motion by Nemitz to approve the FY16 as follows: 27.5% for regional programs, 2.5% for administration, 60% for regional programs and leave 10% statewide programs open for further discussion. Second by Grussing. Motion carried.

B. Phase Funding Requests
Motion by Hoks to recommend to the MELSA Board of Trustees to accept the following requests for Phase funds: Anoka County Library -- $52,654; Ramsey County Library -- $100,000; Saint Paul Public Library -- $54,236; Scott County Library -- $60,000; and Washington County Library -- $15,000. Second by Behringer.
The Advisory Board would like MELSA staff to explore if NSIP payments should be included in the Phase funds. Scott will follow up on this.

C. August 7th Meeting Location
The August 7th meeting to be held at a HCL library will be changing as Thompson will be unavailable. A note will be sent to the Advisory Board confirming a new location.

D. ConnectEd Library Challenge – Update
Thompson is going to meet next week with Hopkins School District staff. The concept is to make sure the student is more aware of the library card and the access the library card gives the student.

E. Other
Behringer received a letter yesterday from the Secretary of State’s office declining his offer to serve on the Broadband Task Force. The only library person on this task force is an academic from northern Minnesota.

VI. REPORTS
A. Staff, Team and MELSA Group Updates
None.

VI. ADJOURNMENT
The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 am.