

AGENDA

Council on Library and Network Development

January 12, 2018

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Resources for Libraries and Lifelong Learning Building (RL&LL)

2109 South Stoughton Road Service Road,

Madison, WI 53716

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| 1. | Call to Order (9:00 a.m.) | Bryan McCormick, COLAND Chair | |
| 2. | Roll Call/Determination of Quorum | Bryan McCormick, COLAND Chair | Information |
| 3. | Adoption of Agenda | All | Action |
| 4. | Approval of
November 9, 2017 meeting minutes | All | Action |
| 5. | Public Library System Redesign
(PLSR) update | John Thompson, Paula Kiely, Steve Ohs | Information,
discussion |
| 6. | Legislative update <ul style="list-style-type: none">● WISE flexibility and TEACH grants (Kurt)● Common School Fund (Kurt, Martha)● Federal budget (John) | DLT staff; COLAND members | Information,
Discussion |
| 7. | DLT Standing Report | DPI staff | Information,
Discussion |
| 8. | Update on COLAND appointments
Member list | Bryan McCormick | Discussion |
| 9. | Suggestions for Future Agenda Items: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Broadband, FCC related issues (Bill H) | Bryan McCormick | Information,
discussion,
action |

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| 10. | <p>Future Meeting Dates and Locations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) January (01/12/2018) – Virtual meeting (RL&LL) b) March (3/9/2018) - Port Washington High School? c) May (05/11/2018) - Egg Harbor d) July (07/13/2018) - Rice Lake/Eau Claire, CVTC (suggested contact: Tom Lang) e) September (09/14/18) - Beloit? f) November (11/9/2018) - <p>Other Suggested Locations: La Crosse School District, Fond du Lac – Makerspace, Milwaukee Mitchell Street branch</p> | Bryan McCormick | Discussion |
| 11. | Review follow-up items | Bryan McCormick | Discussion |
| 12. | Announcements | All | |
| 13. | Adjournment (12:00 p.m.) | Bryan McCormick | Action |

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Meeting Minutes

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Members Present: Bryan McCormick, Janesville
Dennis Myers, Germantown
Miriam Erickson, Fish Creek (virtual)
Kristi Williams, Cottage Grove (virtual)
Martha (Marty) Van Pelt, Sun Prairie (virtual)
Jess Ripp, Milwaukee (virtual)
Terence (Terry) Berres, Franklin (virtual)
Joan Robb, Green Bay (virtual)
Doug Lay, Suamico (virtual)
Nick Dimassis, Beloit (virtual, 10am)
Thomas (Tom) Kamenick, Saukville (virtual, 10am)
Becki George, Birchwood (virtual, 10:20am)

Members Absent: Svetha Hetzler, Madison
Mary Therese (M.T.) Boyle, Burlington
Kathy Pletcher, Denmark

DPI Staff: Kurt Kiefer, John DeBacher, Ben Miller, Alison Hiam, Martha Berninger

Others: John Thompson, PLSR Chair (virtual)
Jeff and Linda Russell, Russell Consulting (virtual)
Paula Kiely, PLSR Co-Chair (virtual)
Bruce Smith, PLSR Project Manager

- 1. Call to Order (9:00 a.m.)** **Bryan McCormick, COLAND Chair**
A quorum of ten was not present at 9:00 am, so we moved to item #5 which was information about the PLSR project. Following the report at 10:00 am it was determined a quorum of ten was now present and we were able to take action on items #3 and #4.
- 2. Roll Call/Determination of Quorum** **Bryan McCormick, COLAND Chair**
At 9:00 am we had nine members of COLAND present. A quorum of ten was attained at 10:00 am.
- 3. Adoption of Agenda**
Myers made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Erickson. Motion carried.

4. **Approval of November 9, 2017 meeting minutes**

Berres made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2017 meeting of COLAND, seconded by Erickson. Motion carried.

5. **Public Library System Redesign** **John Thompson, Paula Kiely, Jeff and Linda Russell**

John Thompson introduced Jeff and Linda Russell of Russell Consulting. They have just been hired to help facilitate the end process of the PLSR project.

The Russell's recently completed three intensive focus groups; One in Kaukauna, one in Rice Lake, and one in Madison. The focus groups were done to help gather information about the PLSR process. The Russell's will be going through the results and put the information together to provide a more meaningful report.

Some superficial thoughts from just finishing the groups. There were 33 participants representing all 16 systems. All participants were library directors, 6 months to 33 years on the job. Some previously worked in other states.

Some highlights from the survey:

- On a scale from 1 to 10, 10 being highest, the average score for system effectiveness was 7.23 with a low of 2 and a high of 10. 9 was the most rated score.
- How important is collaboration had an average score of 9.2, with a low of 6, high of 10, mode of 10.
- Equity of service is an ideal, and preservation of high quality of services. Being able to sustain services while bringing up those that were low.
- Maintaining local library autonomy, want the power of the group but the autonomy of being local.
- Willingness and courage of higher authorities to provide resources to continue to provide high levels of service.

Van Pelt asked the question of who are the higher authorities? The higher authorities are the legislature primarily, to achieve levels of service equity. The question was more of a focus on the legislature, and not so much a focus on DPI.

Myers asked if there were some questions that should have been answered earlier, rather than at this later stage? There were again some comments from respondents that they haven't seen a model yet and that they want to have time to respond to this. Kurt Kiefer noted that we need to continue to update our libraries on what is being discussed and worked on, and that information is out there, and that even when we do that there is still going to be those that feel the information being presented is insufficient.

Paula Kiely thanked Jeff and Linda for a quick turnaround on information about the focus groups. None of what they've said so far is surprising, the themes are familiar and have been heard for the last year, so that's reaffirming. Kiely was curious if there was any variation within the various focus groups regarding these questions. Jeff Russell said the group from the northeast were asking why we are having this discussion, that nothing's broken. But the other two groups weren't to that extreme.

John DeBacher noted that these were focus groups in three parts of the state that tended to draw those invited from those areas of the state. Were there general questions about the process? Jeff Russell said we didn't ask questions regarding what did you think about XX. These were more open ended questions. Initially 110 applied to participate in the focus groups, but only had room for a smaller size group, but the group was representative. Greatest hope, greatest fear, big open questions, nothing specific about a possible proposal.

John Thompson noted that the work groups are finalizing their reports, and there will be feedback from the library community between April 2 -23rd. We will also be identifying some easier changes that won't require statutory changes.

WiLS will continue to assist PLSR with the website, providing assistance where needed, but only with logistics and meeting assistance. Russell Consulting will facilitate upcoming discussions, and they do have a good sense of Wisconsin libraries due to their involvement previously with libraries and library systems.

Thompson noted that the Chapter 43 work group is looking at what the statute currently says, what do we need it to do differently, also looking at what other states do. As the report moves forward we'll make some recommendations as to what needs to change to help the report.

Van Pelt asked how many people were being considered for participating in the Summit in July. Kiely noted that currently we are thinking of an additional 45 to participate beyond the steering committee. We are also looking at having ten assist as Core Recommendation Collaborators, a group to help us put the report together.

Bruce Smith noted that the packet of applicant names will be sent to Steering which will include the names of all those interested in participating in the CRC and Summit process. This is a great chance for representatives of all types of libraries to come together and participate in the project.

Erickson asked when the two day conference would take place. It will be July 30 and 31. The group will consist of about 70 individuals.

In closing Kiefer noted that the Steering leadership has been providing informative updates to DPI.

6. Legislative update

DLT staff

Kiefer noted that proposed legislation would provide some flexibility with WISE and TEACH funding. WISE and TEACH funds will be available for use for public libraries.

TEACH funds are currently available as grants for small and rural area schools, but the same needs are in libraries in small and rural areas. The legislative committee made the change to allow flexibility to be used in both small and rural schools and libraries. The Assembly will be voting on this item on January 16th. Then it needs to go to the Senate and to the Governor.

Kiefer once again updated us on the Common School Fund. The fund is essentially the sole source for school library media programs, with only some schools providing additional funding outside of the common school fund. The Board of Commissioners of Public Lands has oversight

of the fund, and have some flexibility to keep the fund stable and growing. That being said, there are those that want the funds to be used for things outside of school media libraries. Some would also like to see the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands be dissolved and oversight of the funds be turned over to the investment board. So there are concerns about the Common School Fund. WEMTA is monitoring this and will let us know what is going on.

John DeBacher discussed the federal budget, that we are still waiting for release of 2018 LSTA funding. There will likely be another federal continuing resolution, and the 2019 Presidential Budget will likely be released after the State of the Union Address, so we'll have to wait to see the status of IMLS and other federal funds for libraries.

7. DLT Standing Report

DPI staff

A written report was included in the packet so help you follow along.

Van Pelt asked about the Department of Workforce Development and libraries update, including Gale Courses, wanting to know where is this going. Kiefer noted that this is one subtopic within the broader discussion of library and workforce collaboration, and to refer to his write-up on all things going on in Workforce Development. Just to recap, DWD recognizes that almost all communities, including smaller ones, have public libraries, so there is a resource to help DWD services move forward and that Gale Courses - or similar resources- may be a part of those services.

There is a workgroup between DPI, DWD, and WLA has a participant. More a workgroup, not a committee.

There will also be some opportunities for some LSTA projects. The LSTA committee will have a conference call to approve projects next month.

8. Update on COLAND appointments

Bryan McCormick

James O'Hagan, Racine School District, has applied.

9. Suggestions for Future Agenda Items:

Bryan McCormick

Broadband, FCC related issues/Net Neutrality, Common School Fund (Tom Gorman)

Berres asked about including upcoming WLA Conferences at the end of the Agenda.

10. Future Meeting Dates and Locations

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Other Suggested Locations: La Crosse School District, Fond du Lac-Makerspace

Milwaukee Mitchell Street branch, Kaukauna Public Library

11. Review follow-up items

Bryan McCormick

Confirm locations for upcoming meetings, keep in touch on Common School Fund happenings, LSTA and other Federal funds

12. Announcements

McCormick noted that at Hedberg they received two large grants in December and the beginning of January and are now at \$1.1 million, goal of \$1.7 million.

13. Adjournment (12:00 p.m.)

Bryan McCormick

Myers motioned to adjourn, seconded by Lay. Motion carried.