

Agenda
White Pine Library Cooperative

Advisory Council Meeting

Wednesday, September 10, 2008
White Pine Library Cooperative Headquarters
10:00 am – Noon

Welcome

Approval of Minutes

Director's report

New Business (please note reversal of new and old business order)

Amy Knepp, Oscoda Public Library and Deb Schumaker, Kirtland Community College
Library Education at Drexel

Legislative candidates will present their thoughts on library services.

Garnet Lewis, 98th House District

Old Business:

Discussion of:

Rules: (6) If a public library has contracted with a municipality for the provision of library service and the total local support for the legal service area population is less than the minimum local support requirement mandate in section 5(a) of the act, MCL 397.555(a), each governmental unit comprising the legal service area population may be treated as a separate unit and each unit shall meet the minimum support requirement prescribed in section 5(a) of the act, MCL 397.555(a).

What will the effect be for your library?

The Rules in general

Plan of Service, Long Range Plan and Board By Laws

Other:

Membership news:

Next meeting date

October 8, 2008, Annual meeting at the Horizon Center

Candidate Questions:

What is your stand on intellectual freedom and the role libraries play in protecting intellectual freedom and individual privacy?

Since Broadband is essential to the knowledge economy, how do you propose to ensure that all libraries have access to this vital network?

School libraries play a vital role in the education of students, yet they are being eroded and eliminated across Michigan. How do you propose to stop this?

Michigan's Constitution requires the State to fund public libraries. To meet this requirement, Michigan has created 2 streams of state funding. They are: State Aid to public libraries, and Penal fines for libraries.

What is your position on State supported library funding, specifically:

State Aid to public libraries (currently 36% below full funding) and
Penal fines for libraries?

What role do you see for local funding?