

**WHITE PINE LIBRARY COOPERATIVE
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**

Minutes, July 9, 2008

Welcome: Rose Rice Gutierrez welcomed everyone.

Introductions: Those present introduced themselves.

Minutes: Marsha Boyd moved to approve the minutes from the March 12, 2008 meeting as submitted. Jeanette Bach seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Director's Report: Bryon reported that:

- White Pine hosted a Cooperative Director's meeting May 19th. The future of Cooperative's was discussed.
- The Hiawathaland Library Cooperative will be closing the end of September. It is assumed that those libraries will join Superiorland.
- Bryon will present Board Roles & Responsibilities to the new district board in Frankenmuth on August 11th.
- Candidates running for office will be invited to attend our September 10th Ad Council meeting and present their platforms to us.
- A Budget workshop for trustees will be held on September 20th at White Pine.

Audit Contract: Bryon Sitler recommended that a new three year contract be signed with the current auditor Weinlander Fitzhugh.

The contract will cover 2008, 2009 & 2010 and calls for:

First year = \$5,100.00 (GASB rules)

Second year = \$4,100.00

Third year = \$4,100.00

Stephanie Olson moved to recommend to the White Pine Board to approve the audit recommendation. Jeanette Bach seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Inter-active Video Conference: White Pine will host (in conjunction with three other Cooperatives) an interactive Customer Service workshop on August 7, 2008. Bill Schroer will present the workshop via the internet. The interactive classroom will be set up at the Saginaw ISD. In the event that more people register than there is room for, a separate room will be set up that will allow participants to view and hear the presentation but it will not be interactive. Other locations for the workshop are: Big Rapids, Marquette and Marshall.

Request for Membership Withdrawal: Bryon Sitler reported that Chippewa River District Library, Coleman Area Library and the Pere Marquette District Library have requested to leave White Pine effective September 30th.

Bryon explained the procedures for withdrawal, the difference between letters of intent and board resolutions and deadlines. It was explained that the libraries that wanted to leave had not followed the proper procedures for leaving. White Pine did not have enough time to respond by the April 1st deadline as called for in the Plan of Service.

Different budget scenarios and options for leaving were discussed.

Jim Rancilio moved to recommend to the board to let the 3 libraries leave, effective September 30, 2008. Jeanette Bach seconded the motion. Motion carried.