

**WHITE PINE LIBRARY COOPERATIVE
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**

Minutes, September 8, 2010

Welcome: Bryon Sitler welcomed those present.

Minutes: Barbara Butch moved to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2010 Advisory Council Meeting. Mary Jaworski seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Director's Report: Bryon reported that:

- He has been working on revising the FY 2010 Budget and Personnel Manual.
- 8 TLN libraries are interested in receiving OCLC services from White Pine. The libraries will be contracted with individually. They will be charged \$5.00 per request. This will bring in less monies than anticipated. Suburban Library Cooperative has expressed interest in participating in this service and may participate at a later date.
- Meet & greet sessions for legislative candidates have been scheduled for September and October 2010. Member libraries are encouraged to invite their boards and friends groups to attend.
- He has been appointed to the Saginaw County Library Board.
- E-rate training has been scheduled for October 19 in Gaylord and October 20 at the Library of Michigan. Linda Schatz will provide the training.
- BTOP round 1 grants have been completed. Round 2 grants have been announced. Libraries participating in round 2 should receive their purchases in the accounting year 2011.
- White Pine has purchased two cameras to be used for remote meetings. Sheila Bissonnette and Barbara Butch have volunteered to experiment with the cameras.
- The Performer's Showcase has been scheduled for January 12th in Vassar. It will be an all day program.
- White Pine's Annual Meeting will be held on October 13th at the Instructional & Staff Development Center in Saginaw. Topics include:

Genealogy – John Sheridan

Teen Programming – Jim Rancilio and Kate Van Auken

Author: Art Woodruff

Authors: Dave & Charlie

Insurance Coverage: Bryon is investigating how all tax supported entities can participate in a state wide health insurance plan. He has prepared a listing of library member's zip codes for potential coverage. He will receive a report listing local providers per zip codes. Bryon will send out a report to membership which includes costs and plan information. Libraries will need to contact Michigan Health Partnership to notify them of their interest.

State Aid Requirements: Bryon reported that libraries that do not meet the 3/10th of a mill requirement will not be able to receive state aid. Libraries also have to meet the 3/10th requirement to belong to a Cooperative. Two libraries in White Pine do not qualify for state aid. They have been given a waiver for this year and Bryon is unsure what will happen in the future.

MLA: The MLA survey results were discussed. The survey showed data and information that was obtained about MLA membership composition, member priorities and values. MLA is also recommending a new dues structure.

The new dues structure will be rolled out at the MLA annual conference in November and implemented in the spring of 2011.

Plan of Service: Bryon reported that he is required to send an approved Plan of Service to the Library of Michigan. The only change to the plan is the elimination of Booking Summer Reading Performers and to make the date current with the plan. Erin Schmandt moved to approve the Plan of Service with the above changes. Mary Jaworski seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Barnes & Noble: Virginia Heighes from Barnes & Noble talked about some of their new products. They have a new product line to work with kids. Products include expandable flash cards and time telling game plus many more.

Barnes & Noble is also offering a library processing service. Shelf ready service for hard cover books include: MARC records, spine labels, bar code labels and Mylar covers. Books must be ordered through Barnes & Noble. Contact Virginia for more information about this service.

Libraries were reminded when shopping at Barnes & Noble to please mention that you are a member of the Michigan Library Network so that you will receive the 22% discount. (All libraries in White Pine are included in the Network). You can do this at checkout.

Lisa Charters from Barnes & Noble talked about the Nook Reader which is now available in the store.

The Nook is a Wifi, e-reader, e-book reader and sells for about \$149.00. Titles can be downloaded and are 40 – 60% less than the printed version. The Nook holds over 1500 titles. There are 1.2 million books available and ½ million free books. You can exchange one title with another nook. It is a lend once and nonrenewable. The battery is replaceable and has a 4-5 year usage. Contact Barnes & Noble for more information.

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