

Agenda
White Pine Library Cooperative

Advisory Council Meeting

Wednesday, December 8, 2010
White Pine Library Cooperative Headquarters
10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Welcome

Approval of Minutes

Director's report

Old Business

- Insurance coverage for members, options
- Civil Service
- MiDeal
- Umbrella
- Performer's Showcase

New Business

- Legislative updates / training
- Amicus Brief, Herrick District Library
- State Aid certification page
- HB4860 supplemental – see below
- Delay in State Aid payments – see below
- Writ of Mandamus, for State Aid payment
- Rural Development loans/grants

Other: Air Advantage grant for fiber network, Aaron Schippert, 11:00am

Membership news:

Next meeting date:

January 12, 2011

Supplemental:

Sec. 93. From the general fund money appropriated in section 11, there is allocated for 2010-2011 an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000.00 to the library of Michigan for state aid to libraries payments to help support the provision of the Michigan electronic library in public schools and public libraries. The library of Michigan shall distribute the payments to libraries under this section in an amount equal to 25.0% of the allocation

each library received under the state aid to libraries appropriation enacted under 2009 PA 115.

Amount for State Aid without the supplemental: \$0.18903319
To Michigan Public Library and Library Cooperative directors:

Memo from Nancy Robertson:

The process for completing and submitting state aid to public libraries applications to the Library of Michigan is under way. In the past, the Library staff have reviewed the applications and processed the first 50% payment for the year on a first-come, first-served basis as the applications are reviewed and approved. This year, however, Herrick District Library won a declaratory judgment in circuit court invalidating the rules we would use to determine state aid distribution to public libraries. That ruling is now on appeal with the Court of Appeals, and there is a stay motion being sought to keep the rules in effect pending that appeal. Until that stay motion is decided, no state aid applications can be processed, nor can checks be delivered. Once it is decided, either they will be processed under the rules (if granted) or a new process may need to be determined if there is no stay. We regret the inconvenience this delay may cause and will keep you informed as we know more.

Nancy R. Robertson, State Librarian and
Carol L. Wolenberg, Deputy Superintendent, Michigan Department of Education