

**WHITE PINE LIBRARY COOPERATIVE
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**

Minutes September 14, 2011

Welcome: Bryon Sitler welcomed members and introductions were made.

Minutes: Kate Van Auken moved to approve the minutes from the June 8, 2011 meeting. Nannette Pretzer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Directors Report: Bryon reported that:

- State Aid was finalized at \$.22 per capita. Second payments have been finalized and they should be ready soon.
- New board members have been found to fill the 5 vacancies.
- Six new libraries have joined OverDrive. The next opportunity to join is January 1, 2012. Contact Bryon Sitler if you are interested.
- Contact Bryon if you are interested in participating in Dental Insurance. You do not have to belong to McLaren to participate. Costs are approximately \$40.00 a month.
- Arrangements for the Annual Meeting are in place. Don't forget to register for this event.
- The Cooperative will be able to pay for one day delivery next year for its members. Because membership has already paid their delivery bills, the Cooperative will send a check to individual libraries to reimburse them for the one day delivery.
- Boopsie will create apps for libraries which will allow anyone to view your library's website and catalogue. Bryon will send out more information soon.
- Renaissance Zones are being eliminated as they come up for renewal.
- HB 4932 was introduced on September 13th to change the population requirement to 600,000 for designation as cooperative for an existing library system.
- Eliminating Personal Property: The Michigan Municipal League has a site with information on the legislature's efforts to repeal the PPT. Check the Director's Report on our website for the links and to see what your library could lose. Libraries need to contact their legislators about this tax and ask them what will replace it if eliminated.

Budget 2011-2012: Members reviewed the draft budget for \$308,179.00 for next year. The proposed budget includes one day paid delivery for membership and \$34,187.00 taken from fund balance to balance the budget.

Bryon reported that there were not enough present to approve the budget. Marcia Dievendorf moved to accept the current number of people present as a quorum. Jeanette Bach seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Rose Rice Gutierrez moved to approve the draft budget for 2011-2012 and forward it to the board for approval. Mary Jaworski seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Committees

Technology Plan: Members decided there was no need for a technology plan committee at this time.

Board Bylaws: was forwarded to the board for discussion. Bryon recommended reducing the nonpublic position to one representative making the board a 10 member board.

Naming a chair for Advisory Council Meetings: Mary Chasseur will chair next year's meetings.

Plan of Service: Members discussed changes. Discussion topics included:

Delivery: remove associate members and add "member libraries must participate in MelCat to receive delivery."

Quorum definition: recommended that a voting quorum be set at 1/3 (33%) of membership including online participants.

Mimi Herrington moved to approve the recommended changes to the Plan of Service. Rose Rice Gutierrez seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Legislative Districts: New legislators will take effect with the next election. See the list to see if there are changes in your district.

Performers Showcase: Bryon reported that last year's Performer's Showcase was cancelled due to low registration. The following was discussed:

Sharing the Showcase with Mideastern Michigan Library Cooperative.

Holding the Showcase in December rather than January.

Using Dynamic Entertainment from Keego Harbor, MI as a Showcase source.

Asking members for a commitment to attend.

Having performers that have never been seen before.

Members will be surveyed to see if there is interest in having another Showcase.

On-line Language programs:

Mango: <http://www.mangolanguages.com> = 16 languages

Tellmemore: <http://www.tellmemore.com> – 8 languages.

Bryon will set up a demo with Mango.

BookFlix & Grolier on-line: focuses on family literacy. It includes fiction and non-fiction for pre-k through 2 years. It can be accessed remotely.

TruFlix: helping older children to read and learn.

The cooperative is willing to negotiate pricing for those that are interested. Libraries will be given trial access for 30 days. Bryon will send out the information.