

**WHITE PINE LIBRARY COOPERATIVE
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**

Minutes, September 3, 2014

Welcome

Bryon Sitler opened the meeting at 10:02 and welcomed everyone. Members introduced themselves.

Minutes

It was noted that the date for the next advisory council meeting should have been September 3, not September 2. Kate Van Auken moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Jeanette Morrish seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Director's Report:

Bryon Sitler reported that:

- The speaker, Sgt Duane Zook, who was to talk about library security from 11-12, had to cancel due to a co-worker's death.
- The performer's showcase, scheduled from 1-2 was also cancelled due to low registration numbers.
- Cameron Charbonet, Biblionix/Apollo circulation and Jim Forrester, The CoLibri Systems book cover system has been rescheduled to 12:00, rather than 2:00-3:00.
- The WPLC webserver is down and Sheila Good will be working on transferring the site to another hosting service. Registrations for the Book repair workshop and annual meeting can be done by emailing Bryon.
- The Annual Meeting is set for October 1, 2014 at the Horizon's Conference Center.
- Invitations for the candidates have been sent and a schedule is being created and will be shared. Bryon is still waiting to hear from other cooperatives.
- The Cooperative Directors' Association met in Leland for their August meeting.
- The Book repair workshop will be held Thursday, September 18, 2014 from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm. So far, there are only 10-11 people registered.
- The Mideastern Michigan Library Cooperative's Performers' Showcase will be September 25, at the Genesys Conference & Banquet Center in Grand Blanc.
- The Cooperative Directors' Association, the Library of Michigan, and the Midwest Collaborative for Library Services (MCLS) will provide a program instructing and preparing librarians on interacting with the media. This will be held on November 6, 2014 from 9-3 at the Jackson District Libraries' Meijer Branch Library.
- In October, the Library of Michigan will be advertising for an attorney, to replace Lance Warner.
- MCLS is working on a new delivery concept for MelCat: allowing patrons to have their MelCat items sent to any participating library they choose.
- Bryon reminded members that minimum wage increased to \$8.15 per hour on September 1, 2014.

- Bath Township has created a new library. Bath is contracted with Dewitt for library service and has a population of approximately 11,000, resulting in a \$70,000 loss of income, once they become legally established. Since Dewitt’s millage passed, the loss isn’t as bad as it could have been. Bath borders with Ingham County and Bryon asked the library if they would like to join White Pine as an associate member.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Revised meeting Schedule

Bryon mentioned that it has been difficult for Jane to prepare the financial report with the meetings schedule the first Wednesday of the month. He wondered if the meetings could be changed to a later date. Rose Rice-Gutierrez moved to hold the meeting on the 4th Wednesday, Jill Brown seconded. Further discussion revealed that holidays may fall on or near the 4th Wednesday. Rose Rice-Gutierrez withdrew her original motion. Kay Montei moved to set the calendar at the September meeting. Jeanette Morrish seconded. Motion carried.

Jeanette Morrish moved to approve the 2014-2015 Advisory Council/Board meeting schedule as listed below. Jill Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2014-2015

Advisory Council/Board Meeting Schedule

October 1, 2014 (Wednesday)	Annual meeting @ Horizon’s Conf.
December 10, 2014 (Wednesday)	White Pine Library Cooperative
April 22, 2015 (Wednesday)	White Pine Library Cooperative
August 26, 2015 (Wednesday)	White Pine Library Cooperative
September 23, 2015 (Wednesday)	Caro Area District Library
October 28, 2015 (Wednesday)	Annual Meeting

Member News

- Rauchholz Memorial Library, Hemlock, will be going for a Headlee Override millage in November.
- Lexington’s renewal passed.
- Bridgeport’s 6-term operational budget passed with a big margin.
- Deckerville’s 30-year old carpet was replaced and the patrons love it. She had a great turnout for her “boxing” parties.

- The pros and cons of Banned Books Week events were discussed.
- Ubyly High School is hiring a 35 hour/week para-professional librarian. \$23,000. Interested people should contact Steve Noble at the High School.
- Dewitt holds a Story Walk at the township park. A book is chosen and the pages are separated, laminated and put on sticks. A craft is held at the end of the walk.
- Themed Story time backpacks are filled with books, DVD, laminated activity cards. The backpacks are clear and have a “sponsor” tag and can be checked out. It was mentioned that Bad Axe and Pigeon do something similar
- Cass City does a cemetery walk, which is a walking living history. Actors portray the deceased person. Alma does 6 tours to a cemetery chapel and mausoleum and uses dial-a-ride.
- Unionville will purchase one of the AWE computers with the discount figured after the Rural Libraries conference. They need an order of 50 to provide a discount. Bryon asked libraries to contact Jeremy Link to let him know you plan to place the order. He will email the AWE information again to the membership.
- Bryon mentioned that rent has increased by \$104/month.
- Library security: Frankenmuth has security cameras; Hemlock eliminated an entrance; Alma has cameras – their study rooms were turning into gaming rooms, Friend of the Court supervised meeting areas for parents/kids, birthday parties. Libraries worry about estranged parent meetings becoming unstable. Libraries are not part of the open-carry free zones. Cass City said that she was told to give your local law enforcement your floor plan. It’s best to get people out of the building and not to lock them in, but in the event you can’t, the law enforcement will have better knowledge of your building. Call the police if you have a bad feeling and request a walk through. Vassar has a panic button under the circ desk. It was tested recently when a child pressed it and 3 different law enforcement departments showed up in less than 5 minutes.

Next Meeting: October 1, 2014