

**WHITE PINE LIBRARY COOPERATIVE
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**

Minutes, September 28, 2016
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Approval of Agenda

Nanette Pretzer moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mary Jawarski seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes

Mimi Herrington moved to approve the August 24, 2016 Advisory Council minutes. Emily Boersen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Director's report

Bryon presented his report, which will also be available online and attached to the end of these minutes. The main items discussed were:

Bryon has been on the road hosting Candidate Forums at member libraries.

Make sure on your library web page you have a link to your FOIA policy and also consider having the Overdrive, MeL.org, and MAP icons.

The Annual Meeting is scheduled for October 12 at the Horizon's Conference Center. Please register as soon as possible.

The Cloud Library presentation was held last week. The annual fee is less than Overdrive and this was an opportunity for member libraries to see what the Cloud Library has to offer.

The Plan of Service has been approved by 21 member libraries so far. When your Board meets make sure to discuss this with your Board. Let Bryon know when it is approved by your Board.

Old Business

The results of the Special Projects survey were presented. Overdrive platform fee reimbursement was the number one and second was the platform fee for Zinio. White Pine is committing \$10,000 to the project and after much discussion there was a motion by Rose Rice to join the Zinio project offered by TLN. Beth Schmacher seconded. Motion passed.

New Business

Erin Schmandt reported on the UM Maker workshop in Frankenmuth. There will be more next summer and she and BillieJo Bluemer both felt this was a great workshop.

There were some questions about moving from Overdrive to Cloud Library. Staff members from VLC attended to explain how migrating would mean extra costs for SirsiDynix libraries. Erin Schmandt moved to hold off on joining the Cloud Library. Nanette Pretzer seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Member News

Stephanie Olsen shared that the East Tawas library is now 3 times the size of the old library after their expansion project.

Bryon shared how he toured the new Beaverton Library that is a renovated school.

Christian Dunham mentioned how he has redone an area in his library for teens.

BillieJo Bluemer talked about the capital campaign and grants received so far for her library.

Bryenne McCrea's Columbia Township Library received grants for early literacy awareness and youth audio books.

Mimi Herrington and the 11th grade English teacher at the local high school have started Book Chats. Erin Schmandt, Jill Brown and Kate Van Auken are participating as a team in the Thumb Triathlon on Sunday October 2.

Kate Van Auken shared how a little negotiation with an author's agent yielded a free Skype chat with her 5th & 6th grade Book Club.

Nannette Pretzer was able to negotiate with her local DDA to pay half the cost of paving her library parking lot.

Erin Schmandt has been accepted to the second round of the Harwood Cohort.

Clare Membiela, Library Law Consultant, Library of Michigan

Clare was here to introduce herself and share her background. She mentioned she is very interested in visiting member libraries and librarians are welcome to email and call with questions on such topics like Fair Labor Standards Act and PPT. She has been working on revamping the webpage and the Trustee manual as well.

Sarah Anthony, Michigan College Access Network

Sarah shared a power point about the reason why it is necessary to promote post-secondary education which include college degrees and certification programs. Their mission is to increase college readiness, participation, and completion in Michigan, particularly among low-income students, first-generation college-going students, and students of color. Sarah also mentioned that the new start date for FAFSA this year is October 1.

Board report
September 2016

I've been looking at library web pages and would like to remind everyone that there are some Logos that should be on your web page. There are also some that are highly recommended. There are lots of others of course that you would like for your individual library. Remember the FOIA policy needs to be there, or at least easy to find with your other policies. – State law.



Annual Meeting, October 12, 2016 Horizon Conference Center

Managing Employee Performance; or, How to Boss Your Friends Around

This presentation will focus on managing employees in a small or medium library where relationships are often very close. The objective will be to give people a good strategy for dealing with the tough conversations that they may have to have with people who are friends, or maybe even family. The session will feature tips and tricks for managing performance and will allow attendees to share their own experiences and role play to practice some of the real world situations that they might encounter.

There was another meeting to discuss the Cloud Library. We are still looking into how this would work. The annual cost is about \$3500 less than the OverDrive cost.

Meet the Candidates report. So far, we have had 6 sessions. Alma, Corunna, Cass City and Sandusky. Thomas Township October 5, October 7 in Clare and October 17 in Alpena. The latter two are for districts White Pine shares with other Cooperatives. Although we haven't heard from either candidate for the 94th District.

So far, 21 library boards have approved the revised Plan of Service for White Pine.

Yesterday after the Meet the candidate session in Houghton Lake, I toured the new Beaverton branch of the Gladwin County District Library – very impressive.