## Board report: July 2010

May 24, 2010. Received a FOIA request. It was concerning our participation in MERS. We do not participate in MERS. The attorney admitted that it was sent by mistake. I sent a written response as well.

Prepared OverDrive Order - one more library has signed on to participate in this project.

Attended a meeting with Judy Seifert, reporter for the Tuscola Advertiser, and several Tuscola County Librarians to discuss the state of libraries and what might be done to help. She plans to write a series on libraries. I prepared statistics on county averages for the 10 libraries and sent them to her.

LM is behind in getting state aid payments out due to staffing shortages. We are not sure when the second checks will be mailed.

Two WPLC libraries have been notified that they do not qualify for State Aid.

The CDA committee working on re-writing library legislation has started working on PA164, City, Village and Township Library Law. The work on PA138 (County Library Law) is pretty much done. There is one more meeting to finalize details.

Completed the search for new Board members\*. Four are going off the Board September 30. As of July 19, we have a full contingent of public library Board members. The new librarian at the Health Sciences Library, Bay City, Karen Dorsch, has agreed to be the "special" representative.

September 1, Kay Montei will start as the new Director at Columbia Township Library.

I am still adding sites to Fuelyourmind.org.

"Meet the candidates" dates and locations are set. We are working with MidMichigan, Mideastern, Northland and Superiorland Cooperatives for joint meetings with the shared Senate and House districts. Times, dates and locations have been set. Invitations have been sent.

Everything is in place for the annual meeting October 13 at the Saginaw Schools' Development Center.

August 4 was the open house at Ogemaw District Library for the new meeting room and children's garden.

I have applied to be on the Saginaw County Library Board.

I have registered for the MLA Annual conference in Traverse City.

## Registration

September 1, 2010 – Graphic Novels October 13, 2010 – Annual meeting

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Sheila Bissonnette, Harrison Community Library Mary Chasseur, FrankenmuthWickson District Library Larry Haubenstricker, Fairgrove District Library Vicki Mazure, Harbor Beach Area District Library