

## Board report June, 2011

### Funding:

After ups and downs, the budget was finalized May 26. State Aid levels should be similar to the current year @ about \$.17 per capita. The recommendation from the Legislature is that this will continue for the FY13 budget as well.

The Library of Michigan will start working on revising population figures in July. The expectation is that the process will be complete and ready for use for the October 1, 2011 State Aid Annual report. The 2000 population figures will still be used for penal fine distribution for 2011 since the new population figures will not be ready by June 30.

There will be some new questions on the State Aid Annual report concerning 3<sup>rd</sup> grade reading and career readiness. The questions are not yet determined.

Sherman Township Library has hired Ben Huffman as Director and opened in April.

Lee Martin is the current special library representative.

Delivery costs will go to \$1,310 per year starting July 1 (\$13.10 per stop). WPLC will not be able to pay any of this cost. However, it is committed to paying \$163.75 towards the last quarter of the current fiscal year which ends 9/3/11. Add item to agenda.

Woodlands Library Cooperative is getting out of the OCLC business and has asked if its members can participate with White Pine for ILL services. Yes.

Attended the VLC strategic 3 planning sessions.

The White Pine Plan of Service expires next year. We need to get started on how and what to do.

Advocacy: working with other cooperatives to create advocacy page for our web pages.

OverDrive: 4 more libraries will be joining July 1 and 1 joined April 1. That will make for 19 libraries. The e-book collection is growing quickly. Since Kindle will allow the materials in OverDrive to be used on Kindles, demand is expected to grow even more quickly.

### Population changes in White Pine.

Addition of Sherman Township Library adds 2,919 more people.

2000 WPLC population was 421,873

2010 population is 423,888 and

11,624 un-served population

435,512 including non-served townships, and 315 sq. miles

Total sq. miles 6,572.56 for 2011.

Four libraries went down 1 class size

3 to 2 Aitkin Mem.

2 to 1 Brown City

4 to 3 Caro District

5 to 4 Gladwin District

One library went from a class 4 to 2. Chesaning to River Rapids

Two libraries increased in size.

1 to 2 Fairgrove

2 to 3 Wickson Frankenmuth District

LSTA: a waiver for FY12 was approved. This is the second waiver.

The new LSTA goals have been released. The priority for Michigan will be: to promote literacy, education, and lifelong learning and to enhance and expand the services and resources provided by libraries, including those services and resources relating to workforce development, 21<sup>st</sup> century skills and digital literacy skills. There are 8 other goals which will also be addressed.

LM will be holding focus groups this fall to assist with the evaluation of the current 5-year plan

The appeal for the Herrick DL lawsuit took place April 12. The Court of Appeals supported the lower court's ruling against the DoE, LM and will write a written opinion to set precedent. If LM appeals again, it will be to the Supreme Court of Michigan. At this point, no direction has come from LM about certification.

The Court of Appeal has upheld the prohibition of open carry in libraries. The OC group will appeal again.

Coordinated health insurance and movie licenses plans. Three libraries are participating in the health insurance and 16 in the movie licensing plans.

Fuelyourmind.org statistics were distributed.

Workshops:

Foster Swift, Anne Seurnyck, asked me to let all of you know that they plan to develop and offer in 2011 a "Trustee Series" of workshops focusing on issues of interest to both library staff and trustees including

(1) Patron policies

(2) OMA

(3) Library Privacy

(4) Employment and

(5) Millages June 7, 2011

These programs will be webinars and Foster Swift will offer them pro bono. The workshops will be archived and broadcast for some time afterwards.

Annual meeting.

Michael Stephens will speak on intergenerational services in the library. He teaches at Dominican University School of Library Science and writes for Library Journal plus speaking at conference around the world.

Emilie Stawiarski will speak on navigating HR laws and regulations, intergenerationally.