

Board report March 9, 2011

The CDA Legislative committee has pretty much completed its revision of PA 164, County Library Law and PA 164, City Village and Township Library law. The next step is to hold informational meetings around the State to get reactions from library staffs. The first was in Lakeview on March 3. The second will be in Frankenmuth March 11, at 10:00am.

Rural Libraries Conference will be held in May 2012 at the Grand Traverse Resort, Acme.

Beginning Workshop is in Gaylord May 17, 2011 for 3 days. The New Directors and the Advanced Director workshops will be held in Lansing in September.

Alliance of Trustees workshop, Kentwood Library (Kent District) April 28, 2011 from 8:30 to 3:00. Cost is \$20 for members and \$30 for non-members of FOML. \$35 for entire board to register.

Workforce Summit at LM May 24, 2011. This is a train the trainer workshop for helping people find work.

Attended the retirement open house for Charlotte Simmons and Susan Dean, Breckenridge.

Duncan Baines from McLaren Health was here on March 1 to discuss offering health insurance to members. The Cooperative would have to become an umbrella agency to do this. There is no cost to the cooperative to be the umbrella agency.

Kyle Ripley at LM is the person to contact about state aid. Evidently the supplemental (reportedly completed) is still in the works. LM has completed its part – February 9. The checks are still in Treasury waiting to be released. I do not have a date for that to happen.

I called Senator Kahn's office and spoke with Becky outlining what cooperatives do and how they work with libraries.

I have been spending lot of time looking at the WPLC budget and how long the money can last.

Have been working on the FY12 budget and many alternate scenarios.

The Plan of Service needs to be revised next year. This will be a good time to re-evaluate what we do and how we do it.

Budget options:

- No delivery
- Reduce staff hours
 - Close Fridays
 - 20 hours per staff
 - 32 hours for director

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