

**WHITE PINE LIBRARY COOPERATIVE
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**

Minutes, January 14, 2009

Welcome: Bryon Sitler welcomed everyone.

Agenda: Bryon asked that “Performer’s Showcase” be added to the agenda. Jim Rancilio moved to approve the revised agenda. Erin Schmidt seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Director’s Report: Bryon reported that:

- He is serving on the LSTA Grant Committee. 13 grants have been submitted. The committee will meet next week to review them and select the awardees.
- Annual Reports are due February 1, 2009.
- WPLC has signed up with “Ready Talk” which provides electronic meeting capabilities. Up to 10 people can participate in an online meeting at one time. The PR committee will try out Ready Talk at its next meeting.
- There will be an Open House for Terry Brown on Friday. The open house is scheduled from 1:00-3:00 at Pigeon District Library. Bryon plans to attend.
- The draft rules have been somewhat formalized. They have been sent to the Joint Committee on Administrative Affairs. Not many changes were made. The final version still does not have a continuing education requirement. Certification will conform to the new rules when the new rules take effect. The Beginning Workshop sponsored by WPLC may no longer be offered after this spring since LM will not accept the certificate White Pine issues for a level VII.
- The Internet Pornography workshop has been renewed for two more months. The name has been changed to Internet Obscenities.
- Libraries should be aware that MPA will be losing the Disney license.
- Upcoming workshops include Zingerman’s Customer Service on April 16, Basic Book Repair, March 26 and Book Repair—Special Collections April 2, 2009.

PR Committee Report: The PR campaign is a little behind schedule. H&H is working with Charter Communications to add additional free cable advertising spots. The fuelyourmind.org web site will link to member libraries and should be operational by the end of January. An Open House will be planned for Kickoff at the probably at the Bridgeport Public Library.

Plan of Service: The Plan of Service Committee is meeting today after the board meeting. Contact Bryon or committee members Rose Rice Gutierrez, Stephanie Olson or Mimi Herrington with your comments.

Rural Libraries Conference: The Board voted at its last meeting to fund 1 paid registration per library to attend the Rural Libraries conference. The conference will be held at the Grand Traverse Resort in Traverse City from April 29 – May 2, 2009. White Pine will pay up to \$125.00 (Early Bird). Libraries should pay their registration fee and send a copy of their registration to the Cooperative. White Pine will reimburse the library for the registration.

Performer's Showcase: Bryon asked if there was interest in expanding the Performer's Showcase. Currently the showcase includes 5 performers but could be expanded to a full day program. Members discussed expanding the Showcase. White Pine will explore hosting a full day showcase next January at the Bullard Sanford Memorial Library in Vassar.

Showcase: Performers for today's showcase include:

Jason Abbott, Magician
Judy Sima, Storyteller
Kevin Devine's Musical Circus
Rick Paul, Ventriloquist
Joel Tacey, Juggler

Members are invited to book the performers after the showcase.