SDLN Executive Committee Minutes
January 21, 2010
9:00-11:00am CT

Members Present: Patty Andersen, Nancy Sabbe, Ethelle Bean, David Gleim, Dan Siebersma, Ronelle Thompson, Warren Wilson, and Sam Gingerich

Also Present: Colleen Kirby, Nina Mentzel, Francie Voelker

Minutes: Bean moved approval of the December 17, 2010 minutes. Sabbe seconded. All present voted aye. The minutes will be posted.

Executive Director Report

Aleph Update: SDLN Staff continues to have monthly calls with Ex Libris regarding outstanding issues that have been reported.

Training Update and SFX/MetaLib: Nina, Lucas and participants from four SDLN libraries had a training session with Ex Libris regarding MetaLib/SFX instances. Nina and Lucas also had additional training on set-up and will be working with libraries in February who need help with their instances. Ex Libris has reviewed and assisted with the instances for Northern, South Dakota State, Augustana, Rapid City Public and the SDLN central instance.

Budget Update: The FY10 YTD Update and Reserve Fund Update was circulated to the committee for review. We are currently on track for our budgeted expenses at the half-way point of the fiscal year. SDLN hopes to hire a full time staff person to replace Brandon Harm's half-time position. The difference in salary will be covered in the FY10 operating budget.

Unfinished Business

Library Mergers: The USD merger is complete. Staff is continuing to work on some outstanding data problems with the Augustana/Seminary merger.

V.19 Migration: Ex Libris has been talking about not supporting V.19 at some point. Wilson and staff have been working on a contract with Grupo Maya about V.19 as it offers many fixes but would like to follow with the V.20 migration. The committee suggested that SDLN discuss the possibility with Grupo Maya of continuing with the V.20 migration after V.19 is completed. The committee would also like a more detailed timetable for the V.19 migration.

OPAC Front-End – Report from Task Force: The written recommendation from the OPAC Overlay Task Force was circulated to the committee for review. The task force recommended that SDLN purchase Aqua Browser as the new statewide OPAC overlay. The report detailed the reasoning behind their decision. If funding becomes an issue, the committee offered an alternative low cost solution of WorldCat Local and WorldCat Local QuickStart. This option is less expensive but does not work as well for the SDLN structure as Aqua Browser.

The committee decided that the report and spreadsheet should be reviewed by SDLN members for comments and questions. The information will be posted on the SDLN website and members should contact their nearest Executive Committee member with questions or comments. The Executive Committee will take action regarding the OPAC Front-End at the February meeting.

New Business:

David Gleim asked that the Ex Libris Learning Center be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

The next Executive Committee meeting has been scheduled for February 18.

The meeting adjourned at 10:25 CT.