

SDLN Executive Committee Minutes

Huron Public Library

October 3, 2012

10:00am – 12:00am CT

Attendance: Ronelle Thompson, Ethelle Bean, Warren Wilson, Sam Gingerich, Dan Siebersma, Elvita Landau, Nancy Sabbe, Patty Andersen

Also in attendance: Jodie Barker, Cathy Palz, Kristi Tornquist, Dan Daily, Scott Ahola, Amber Wilde, Darla Jackson, Mike Mullin, Robert Russell, Sean Crooks

Executive Director:

Budget - Explanation of recognition of \$45K interest for FY13. The FY13 budget had a \$10K surplus. If all remains the same, may need to move \$25K from Reserve to Operating budget.

Unfinished Business:

RFP –

Discussion by EC members about recommendation from RFP Task Force to move ahead with OCLC:

Public libraries on east side of state met, but this was only a small part of their discussion. Regental libraries have discussed; there are concerns but several are ready to move ahead. Patty had reviewed RFP and created a list of questions which she has shared with Jodie for responses. Jodie has divided list into two parts 1) which OCLC should answer and 2) philosophic questions.

Is OCLC delivering what they say they will, what is plan to deliver what we said in RFP that we need? Is there a new road map? Concerns raised about eliminating staff and which libraries would go first. Waiting for perfection may well result in losing members and less available in Reserve account to support two systems during a migration.

Others in attendance shared observations and concerns:

OCLC does not yet have broad report functions developed. Concern that contract would have link resolver component. What technology expertise would be needed at local level to manage OCLC WMS.

Further discussion about options:

If we walk away from RFP, then what? Do nothing, do something, not ready to vote today (then how long)? Can't just do RFP (and process) again without Jodie and Anne Moore... Question is what do we think will be out there that looks better? ExLibris putting energy into Alma—SD not their market

If we said wanted to go, legal take 3-6 months. Earliest 9-12 months for first cohort. OCLC developing all during this time.

Sam after contract, implementation plan begins right then.

At 1:00 Advisory Council meeting, go over again:

List options to choose from

RFP stay open according to Sam but only with a firm timeline to resolution

Is a month long enough to wait for decision? Later Thanksgiving, semester break, Christmas, etc.

- Jodie find answers to Patty's questions
- Sam – Drive to final decision (4-6 weeks)
- Jodie – how fast get answers (end of next week?)
- Ronelle – may still decide not to do anything

Nancy moved Recommendation one month extension to make a decision. Ethelle second. Motion passed.

Other

Ronelle read an e-mail from Becky Ringwelski, Minitex, to SDLN thanking us for our support of resource sharing via the MINITEX contract.

Craig Johnson, OCLC rep, will not be at SDLA conference because of a potential conflict of interest given our outstanding RFP.

Meeting adjourned 11:45 a.m.