

Columbia County Library Systems Board
September 21, 2018
Meeting Minutes

Rio Community Library
Rio, WI

Board Members in Attendance:

Susanna Bradley
Nan Hughes
Nancy Long (9:30)
Susan Martin
Betty Reiter
Beth Ann Scott

Board Members Absent:

Susana Bradley (With notice)
Dianne Effinger (With notice)

Library Directors in Attendance:

Emily Goad – Portage Public Library/County Resource Librarian (9:20)
Joan Foster – Pardeeville
Jenna Assmus – Rio

Visitors and Guests in Attendance:

Mark Ibach

Board President Nan Hughes called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. Nan called the roll, and noted that the meeting was properly noticed. She welcomed the guests and thanked them for attending the meeting. Nan thanked Christine Clark for her help in preparing for our meetings.

Approval of Agenda:

Sue Martin moved that the agenda be approved, and Beth Ann Scott seconded it. It was approved unanimously.

Minutes of the July 12, 2018 and Special Meeting August 9, 2018:

Sue Martin moved that we approved both the July 12th and August 9th meeting and Beth Ann Scott seconded it. The motion was approved unanimously.

SCLS Report:

South Central staff are helping libraries update their strategic plans. Belleville is going to build a new library so consultants are assisting in their transition. The Madison Public Library branch on Cottage Grove Rd. prepare for a temporary move. Jody Hosley is working on P-stat mapping. This information will help librarians with circulation reports. Mark Jochem is working on assisting libraries update their web site content and will soon begin to

assist libraries in their work force development. Columbus, recently held a job fair. There were about 30 people in attendance. When business heard about it they asked to have a table at the fair. The Digitization Project has begun with about 20 libraries digitizing historic materials. South Central has sent out kits to help the process. DPI would like to help this process with a possible grant. The information will be downloaded to the website, www.recollectionwisconsin.org. This will be linked to the National Archival Library. The Public Library Redesign Project meeting in Fitchburg was held In July. There really wasn't one model approved. The work group decided to possibly merge the two models (W & Y). They are still working on what direction to go. This process could take ten years. Some parts can be rolled out earlier such as technology, C.E. Portal and delivery.

Resource Library Report:

The County Finance Committee recently approved the 2.45% budget request. We discussed the success of the presentation. It was a team effort, there was a representation from different communities, and a change in the presentation. Their theme was "Libraries Transform Communities". Presenters were Emily Goad, Cindy Fesemyer, Lindsey Ganz, and Jenna Assmus. Barry Pufahl, committee member was a supportive spokesperson for libraries. Emily will be presenting the Portage Library budget shortly. The library is looking to the future with a wider array of programs and they are trying to increase their presence in the community. We need to remind County Board Members of good things going on in libraries. As the librarians discuss their presentation consider inviting a member of the County Library Board be part of the panel. A new website, www.wisconsinlibrariestransform.org is available for patrons to share stories about their library.

Review the Strategic (Action) plan for Compliance and Adjust as Necessary:

There was discussion on our \$100. budget. Would informative bookmarks be a good investment or postcard to County members or brochures? We began work on the Schedule/Action Plan 2019.

We discussed possible changes and updates to the 2019 form. Nan and Emily will meet to finish the update and present a draft schedule at our November meeting.

Reports on Library Visits:

There were no reports.

Discussion of Future Advocacy Initiatives

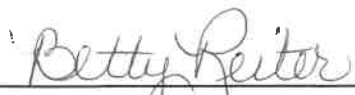
Emily will ask if there is a topic we need to address at our next meeting. Library Directors will be meeting November 9th and bring suggestions to our board on the 16th.

We discussed inviting local officials to attend our meetings. Perhaps we could send an invitation to a special planned event. Maybe at the March meeting Cindy Fesemyer and Columbus local officials would present a three-person panel to discussing their grant and municipal partnership.

Our next meeting will be November 16th in Wisconsin Dells @9AM.

Adjournment: President Hughes adjourned the meeting at 10:40

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Reiter". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Betty Reiter, Secretary

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