

EASTERN SHORES LIBRARY SYSTEM MERGER COMMITTEE MINUTES

W.J. Niederkorn Library
Port Washington, WI

March 23, 2016

Called to Order: 10:09 A.M.

Adjourn: 11:33 A.M.

PRESENT: Amy Birtell, ESLS; Jason DeWine, Ozaukee County; Garrett Erickson, Mead Public Library; Bill Goehring, ESLS; John Hanson, U.S.S. Liberty Memorial; Jim Hughes, ESLS President; Robert Nitsch, ESLS ; Martha Rosche, Plymouth Public Library; Steve Ruggieri, ESLS; Sherry Speth, ESLS; Nancy Szatkowski, ESLS

VIRTUAL: Linda Bendix, Frank L. Weyenberg, Alison Ross and Paula Siefert, ESLS

GUESTS: Nicole Lynaugh, Cedar Grove Library; Doug Rakowski, MWFLS; Tom Richert, Ozaukee County Board

- I. **Meeting** called to order at 10:09 a.m. by Birtell. A quorum was present.
Meeting posted according to Open Meeting Law.
Public Comment: None
- II. **Approval of Minutes** from March 7, 2016. Motion made by Rosche, seconded by Speth.
Motion carried by voice vote
- III. **Review Topics** from the Joint Negotiating Meeting on March 14
Birtell explained topics as listed on gold handout
 - A. Delivery - Birtell added that Bruce Smith will assist in designing delivery logistics
Brief discussion/explanation
 - B. Headquarters Location
Brief discussion/explanation
 - C. Governance
Discussion re: weighted votes and percentage of costs paid- area of concern for small libraries in ESLS. Need to have more discussion/fact-finding
 - D. ILS
Discussion re: circulation standards. Local control, patron expectations could be areas of concern. Additional fact-finding needed.
- IV **New Topics**
 - A. Centralized Cataloging
Discussion re: Ross of ESLS cleans up records for member libraries. MWFLS libraries contract with West Bend, their resource library for cataloging functions. Envision cataloging function to remain at West Bend with oversight provided by Ross.
 - B. Resource Library Contract and Services
Discussion re: Resource Library Proposal
 - West Bend provides original cataloging and ILL for 4 counties. Would lose state compensation for being a resource library, but would be compensated for cataloging function (tbd by budget)
 - Mead would be statutory resource library - Compensation tbd by budget
 - Moratorium important for Mead:
Libraries can hold In Demand books for their own patrons' use before releasing to system

Discussed 3-6 month moratorium as a maximum - libraries can release before that time

Purchase extra sets of "floating" In Demand collections

May decrease staff and transit time

No longer need Lucky Day or Dollar Collections if moratorium is in place

Circulation credits an issue for libraries

How are non-librarians treated with regard to position in hold queue?

Moratorium will also force libraries to purchase their own copies of In Demand books rather than borrow from other libraries. (ratio report)

V. **Recommendations**

Rakowski emphasized focusing on areas of agreement, of which there are many.

Erickson would like to see more frequent PLAC meetings with votes on some issues to get an idea of how the process is evolving.

VI. **Next Meeting:** Thursday, April 6, 1:00 p.m. at Niederkorn, Port Washington

VII. **Adjournment:** Ruggieri moved, Szatkowski seconded to adjourn the meeting at 11:33 a.m.
Motion carried by voice vote.