

Wisconsin Public Library Consortium
Board Meeting (Annual Meeting) Agenda
April 26, 2017 12:00-3:00 PM

Holiday Inn Hotel & Convention Center, Stevens Point, WI
Trillium

And via GoToMeeting (Connection information below)

1. Call to order/Welcome & Introductions (2 minutes)

2. Consent agenda (2 minutes)

- a. Review agenda
- b. Approval of [minutes from February 20, 2017](#)

3. Updates from previous meetings/projects (5 minutes)

- a. Steering Committee update
- b. Historical and Local Digital Collections Committee/Newspaper project
- c. [YTD budget review](#)

4. Action on recommendation from Nomination Committee on chair (5 minutes)

Background: The Nominations Committee (Steve Platteter, Mike Sheehan, Marty Van Pelt) have identified Mark Arend to complete the 2017 chair term. Mark has agreed to serve.

5. Action on the User & Non-User Survey Workgroup Recommendation (5 minutes)

Background: Because we did not have time at the February meeting to vote on the User & Non-User Survey Workgroup Recommendation, and because it was desirable to move the project forward, an email voting method was used to approve the recommendation. Because our bylaws do not allow for email voting, the decision will be revisited and the group asked to take action on it.

6. Recommendation of Formula Workgroup (10 minutes)

Background: The Formula Workgroup convened in 2016 to develop a potential new formula for dividing costs for the buying pool, and has a recommendation to present to the Board for consideration and discussion.

Additional documents: [Summary of Formula Workgroup](#)

Questions for discussion:

- a. Are there any questions or concerns about changing the formula?
- b. What other things do we need to consider with this change in allocation to dividing the buying pool between the Consortium and Advantage accounts?

7. Califa Copyright Reform Statement Update (5 minutes)

Background: At the October 25, 2016 meeting, the WPLC Board voted in favor of supporting and signing the Library Copyright Reform Statement, drafted by Califa and presented to various library consortia around the country.

The Statement proposes the following:

- Publishers and ebook vendors should negotiate acceptable licensing terms with libraries rather than present terms that offer libraries 2 choices: a) accept the terms or b) don't provide access to the materials through the public library.
- Let libraries own what they purchase.
- Let libraries host their own purchased content on platforms that conform to DRM standards.
- Amend copyright law to ensure licensing terms do not supercede copyright exceptions, provisions and fair use protections.

Paula Mackinnon of Califa, has sent a link to the Statement that asks that WPLC designate an individual contact as the signer on behalf of the WPLC.

The goal of the statement moving forward is to promote the statement at the local and national levels in order to increase awareness among library staff as to this specific issue around copyright, licensing and ebooks, and to demonstrate strong support on this issue to those who can help effect change including the Copyright Office and Congress.

Paula did say she was unsuccessful in getting the Librarian of Congress to agree to participate in the petition.

In addition, Paula is looking for feedback in how we think the Statement and accompanying information should be shared. Ex. Would the Statement in 'resolution' format make it easier to present to audiences?

Additional documents: [Copyright Reform Statement](#)

Discussion questions:

1. Who should serve as the individual representative for the WPLC when signing the Statement?
2. How can we present the Statement to audiences around the state?

8. Review & possible action on draft bylaws (10 minutes)

Background: The Bylaws Workgroup has created a draft version of the bylaws. There was a draft version sent in January, and new version sent in April that included some additional changes suggested by Josh Klingbeil, including a change for electronic meetings. The group will discuss and possibly take action on these changes, with the knowledge that additional changes will be coming around voting and dissolution.

Additional documents: [Redlined version of draft bylaws](#); [draft bylaws without redlines](#)

9. Break (15 minutes) – time needed to reconfigure room and prepare for discussion.

10. Welcomes and introductions (5 minutes)

11. Presentation of information for discussion (40 minutes)

- a. 2018 Digital Buying Pool Recommendations
- b. Recommendations from the Steering Committee Digital Collection Workgroup
- c. Discussion & thoughts from the Steering Committee
- d. Board Role, Responsibility and Representation
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- f. Process for discussion & regrouping

12. Discussion of Board and Steering Committees representation, decision-making, annual collection process, and overall communication. (75 minutes)

Background: The discussion portion of the meeting will focus on how we can best strengthen the relationship between the Steering Committee and the Board and how we can best define roles for the various bodies. The discussion will focus on four question areas, and will consist of small group discussion with large group presentation and discussion.

Additional documents: [Questions for annual meeting discussion](#). **Please review prior to the meeting to select areas of interest and think about responses.**

13. Adjourn

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