



RiverShare Mission Statement:

The mission of the RiverShare Libraries is to provide optimum access to member libraries through resource sharing, including an ILS (integrated library system), delivery, and governance.

RiverShare Assembly of the Whole Committee Minutes

Minutes submitted by Lisa Powell Williams, AOW Secretary (Moline Public Library);
Amendments to minutes submitted by Bryon Lear, Acting as Secretary (Moline Public Library)
for September 17, 2105 meeting

Silvis Public Library

August 20, 2015

2:00 p.m.

1. Roll Call (Lisa)

Present: Bettendorf Public Library (Sue Mannix); Clinton Community College Library (Sally Myers); Clinton Public Library (Brad Wiles); Robert R. Jones Public Library District (Jeff Stafford); Davenport Public Library (Amy Groskopf); East Moline Public Library (Laura Long); Kaplan University Library (Marlene Metzger); Moline Public Library (Bryon Lear); Musser Public Library (Pam Collins); River Valley Public Library District (Kimberly Riley); Rock Island Public Library (Angela Campbell); St. Ambrose University Library (Julia Dickinson); Scott County Library (Tricia Kane); Sherrard Public Library District (Bobbi Jackson); Silvis Public Library (Nancy Ashbrook)

Absent: Ashford University Library, Henry C. Adams Public Library, and Scott Community College.

2. Approval of Minutes

Review of minutes.

Laura moved.

Angela seconded.

Minutes approved as amended.

3. Financials (Tricia)

Tricia reviewed financial report.

Angela moved.

Amy seconded.

Financial statement approved.

4. Vice President's Report (Laura)

A. Overdrive Update

Amy provided the Overdrive update. Amy contacted Mike Shontz at Overdrive and he said they were willing to negotiate with us and will come forth with a proposal by mid-September. Amy clarified that Overdrive will negotiate within the current existing contract. Amy clarified that Advantage titles purchased by Illinois libraries since the RS consortia was formed are theirs, those that went into the initial RS collection from prior collections remains with the RS consortia.

B. New Officers on the PAC Committee

PAC Committee officers are Val Farrar, DPL (Chair), Lisa Powell Williams, MPL (Secretary), and the Vice Chair position is open. When PAC meets in September, they will seek vice chair from those attending that meeting.

5. Committee Reports

A. ILS Committee

Amy talked with Polaris today via email that Polaris is willing to negotiate with us re. changes to our contract to reflect the withdrawal of Ashford, SAU and IL libraries. Amy is not sure what adjustment we'll get. Amy referred to the timeline Sue drafted regarding current obligations. Copies distributed; also, sent by email.

Laura shared that Judy H. that PrairieCat has confirmed a May 16th "go live" date.

Amy has not yet spoken to Polaris about "exit services." Will get that in to Polaris now that a date is known.

B. Tech Services Committee

No report.

C. Circulation Committee

No report.

D. PAC Committee

No report.

E. IT Committee

No report.

F. PR Committee

No report.

G. Other

No other Committee Reports.

6. New Business

A. Illinois Libraries RiverShare resignation letter

Joint letter received from all Illinois libraries. Brad asked if each individual library also signs one, in addition this. Sue says the 28E agreement indicates AOW has to receive notification that the Governing Boards have passed a resolution to withdraw". It doesn't have to come from the governing boards; we just need documentation indicating that their boards have actually passed the resolution to withdraw. IL library boards should send confirmation of their board votes on the resolution.

B. Ashford withdrawal from RiverShare and logistic support request

Dana trying to figure out how to shut the library down. Questions regarding closing off all/part of their circulation/ILL to other libraries. Amy noted she or Bryon could help her to be removed from the hold queue. Brad will send Amy/Bryon this information. Amy asked about how to remove their holdings from the catalog, but they would not need a data pull like the withdrawing libraries. Amy will put in a request to Polaris asking for the cost of data cleanup for the catalog/patron database.

C. Iowa Libraries meeting report

Brad, Pam, Angela, Lisa Lockheart, and Kelly Giovanine met as RS Ad Hoc to draft the statement for IL libraries. The Iowa Libraries have yet to meet, yet consensus is that they plan to go forward as RS regardless of what happens.

D. RiverShare statement/press response

Was sent out. Extract the strike through that was left in the second paragraph prior to the words, "East MolinePL."

Question regarding the 126 member libraries. This should refer to Prairie Cat, not RAILS. Move parts of sentence around to read correctly. SEE DRAFT COPY to reflect change.

Sue discussed the conversation regarding IA RS libraries and noted that SAU leaving RS doesn't affect IA public patrons' privileges dramatically. Mary noted that SAU can be left off the statement announcing their withdrawal.

Bryon questioned RS title if it's the President or Chair. Discussion ensued. As per recent bylaws, President is the correct term.

Directors will inform their own libraries' front line staff as to what to share with the public or to whom to refer in the organization.

Nancy SVP asked if RS should be proactive and send out this information or be reactive. Brad noted the committee wanted to share information with the public, yet, not invite a lot of questions we do not yet have answers for. Brad noted will do a media release. Sue would like to call the question to accept this as the official statement and formulate a timeline as to release.

Jillian suggested that Lisa Lockheart, Vice Chair, PR Committee, be contacted regarding her media contacts and the statement be sent by Brad as President.

Sue moved to accept the RS libraries statement of restructuring with statement of changes as noted. Seconded by Nancy SVP. Approved.

Bobbi asked if could go out in their newsletter once ready. Libraries should share with their own employees.

Sue asked what the group thought about having a take away for patrons at public service points. Brad noted that the ad hoc committee had been discussing this. Lisa Lockheart had the FAQ from when RS started. Brad though this would be good to develop. Amy noted we need a

timeline, as well. Brad will get back with the ad hoc committee to reconvene to develop this, with the plan to have a draft available for the September AOW meeting.

F. Suggestions for transition committees and tasks

Discussion of RiverShare business for remainder of year. Brad inquired what the shared things are and what might be the best way to “wind things down.”

Sue noted that Amy and she have done some legwork looking at the existing contracts. Amy has contacted Polaris and Overdrive. MALA is an IA libraries concern. ILS Admin committee shared a list of things they were working on. Now that we have a go live date, they can bring to next meeting to share timeline, such as what date will a DPL card not work at MPL, at what point will the holds queue be split so IL libraries don't get IA items, etc. Amy biggest queue patrons have at this point is the potential of reciprocal borrowing going forward. Iowa may be a no-go if a stipulation preventing non-resident borrowing or fees is included within a library's existing ordinance. Sue suggested the Iowa Libraries should check their local ordinances prior to any reciprocal borrowing discussion/agreements, to see if it possible within their existing ordinances. Sue said we cannot *assume* there is a desire for this until we have consulted our individual library boards –and, in order to do so we need more information on what a reciprocal arrangement would look like to present to them. Amy noted that there needed to be an IL/IA equal share arrangement regarding reciprocal (walk-in) borrowing.

Brad thinks a lot of the winding down can be done at the committee level. Amy thinks the reciprocal borrowing needs to be done with Circulation committee. Sue wants to know what all the IL non-resident fees are so she can take to her board so they can make a determination re.

Brad noted that his understanding is that IL libraries are still interested in reciprocal borrowing and this was confirmed by IL libraries, including RVPL.

Angela questioned the non-resident fee and noted that RIP shares with Augustana and other schools, and didn't know why IL libraries would charge a nonresident fee.

Jeff noted that in IA libraries all residents have access and that's not the case in IL. Brad noted maybe it becomes a relationship between RiverShare and RAILS. Brad thought would be difficult to negotiate each individual library. Angela noted that Omaha-Council Bluffs have a reciprocal borrowing agreement across state lines.

Amy didn't think the 28E needed to be terminated. Sue thinks the restructuring action may completely changes the agreement. Amy says the 28E is an IA intergovernmental agreement. Sue thinks some library's attorney needs to review.

Illinois intergovernmental instrumentality agreement is already underway with RAILS/PrairieCat as per Jeff.

Laura asked if an ad hoc committee to look at reciprocal borrowing including a FAQ would be formed. Nancy, Jeff, Amy and Brad volunteered.

Sue thinks that without any ILL service how items will be returned will need to be addressed.

Brad asked if a committee should review the 28E. Sue will take to BPL's attorney.

E. Other

No other New Business.

7. Old Business

A. Bylaw Revision Committee meeting on Friday September 11th

Given the new information the committee will look at 28E and make sure bylaws language is aligned and committee language to be reviewed. Changes will be brought to next AOW meeting.

B. Messaging and transparency for remainder of fiscal year

Brad reiterated that IL libraries have their own items to attend to, as do IA. If it concerns current RS business, be sure to contact the group, copy directors, and whoever else needs to be in the loop for these conversations.

Amy noted that there may have been some unnecessary stress created for our vendors, so asked that things go through who signed the contracts. Brad noted that some libraries were not aware of contracts and details as they had not been seen before.

C. Member contracts, agreements, and responsibilities

Biggest issues are delivery, the catalog, and ebooks. Sue noted that Overdrive was a big unknown until Amy let us know that Overdrive is willing to renegotiate. Sue noted that if Overdrive is willing to renegotiate then the point is moot regarding Illinois library costs for that contract. Sue noted that IA RS would need to renegotiate Polaris contract no later than August 2016, but ideally by June/July 2016. Iowa libraries will need to get with MALA.

Nancy asked if additional IA libraries would be joining RS, as it had been talked about previously. Amy noted that it is too soon to know.

Mary asked if the Vonage contract is an issue. Brad and Amy noted this is a month to month contract and may need fewer lines.

Question was raised re. the website. Bryon noted was a one year contract costing under \$100/year.

D. Other

No other Old Business.

8. Other

No other business or discussion.

9. Adjourn

Sue moved. Jeff seconded. Adjourned 3:05 p.m.

Next AOW Meeting is 2:00 p.m. on September 17, 2015 at Davenport Public Library Eastern Branch.