Maine InfoNet Board Meeting September 4, 2013 Maine State Library 1:30pm-3:30pm

The Maine InfoNet Board met at the Maine State Library in Augusta on September 4, 2013 at 1:35pm.

Members present: Clem Guthro, Barbara McDade, David Nutty, Jennifer Lewis, Joyce Rumery, Brook Minner, Doug Macbeth

Maine Infonet staff present: James Jackson Sanborn

Maine State Library staff present: Jaime Ritter

- 1) Minutes from August 8, 2013 meeting. Barbara moved to accept. David Nutty second.
- 2) Regional focus groups
 - a) Goals are to share information, determine what the constituency wants from Maine Infonet?
 Include a simple fact sheet about Maine Infonet (James to produce; also a 2013 strategic goal of this Board to produce an annual report)
 - b) Meeting structure: Do we want a facilitator to help with meetings? James to present this year's strategic goals? Want to hear from community before undertaking a strategic planning process of Maine Infonet. James and at least two Board members at each meeting.
 - c) Joyce, Clem & Doug subcommittee to help plan (ad hoc program committee)
 - d) Partner with fall MASL meeting, Nov. 2 at 8:30am
 - e) Health Science Library Information Consortium meets in the fall at Husson, partner with them? Current chair is Shelly Davis
 - f) In addition to partnering with MASL and HSLIC, we could hold meetings in Aroostook, Downeast, central, southern
 - g) Do not need to name these events by library district, anyone can attend any forum that is convenient for them
- 3) Board committees as defined by by-laws: governance, program, public and legislative relations
 - a) Current committees: Program committee to plan directors summit: Joyce and Clem Program committee to plan regional focus groups: Joyce, Clem, and Doug Governance committee: the group who edited the bylaws: Steve and Barbara Public and Legislative relations: Linda, David, Albie
 - b) Suggested committee: MaineCat policy/governance committee: could include Alisia, someone from URSUS circulation sub-committee, a public librarian, Judy, someone from CBB?
- 4) Plan for and invite the Regional Consultants, the Chair of the Maine Library Commission, Beth Edmunds; the Maine Historical Society Director, Steve Bromage; Maine Humanities Council Director, Hayden Anderson

- a) Joyce will invite Beth Edmunds for November meeting
- b) We will invite regional consultants to December meeting
- c) Will plan for other Board meeting guests in 2014
- 5) Update on conversations with III
 - a) Linda, Dick and James are going to meet to discuss contractual issues, being able to contract directly between 501c3 and III, bypass a state contract
 - b) Statewide planning group/technical people meeting Monday, September 9, added Stew MacLehose (head of IT at UNE libraries) to group
 - c) Clem, David and James put together a reactions document, available in Dropbox
 - d) David and James will draft response letter to III that will be sent once contractual issues are sorted out
 - e) Emphasize the fact that we have a robust infrastructure in place in Maine, have structural support in Maine Infonet, can be a good beta test case for other projects
- 6) Directors' Summit Update: Will take place November 22, 2013 at Colby. Keynote speaker is David Lee King from Topeka Library System, talking about trends in maker spaces and social media. Looking for vendors/examples to demonstrate 3D printers but also maker spaces that don't require high tech equipment.
- 7) Executive Director Report: a copy of James's report is in Dropbox folder
- 8) Review of the Strategic Priorities (ongoing): We have launched new website, begun planning regional planning groups, & have adopted by-laws and formed committees. James to produce a 2013 annual report/data sheet.
- 9) Other business:

Next meeting - October 11, 2013, Jackson Laboratory, Bar Harbor

Schedule for the day

10:30 - 11:30 Tour

11:30 – 1:00 Lunch

1:00 – 3:00 Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 3:38pm.